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BOMBAY.

DEATH.

SCALES—May 30th, at the Adelphi Hotel, C. C. Scales, Esq., late of Melbourne, aged 25 years.

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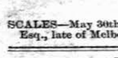
FOR LONDON DIRECT.



THE A 1 Barque YARRA, 433/855 Tons Register, Captain TEASDALE. For Freight apply to EWART, LATHAM & Co.

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THE fine fast sailing British Ship WINTERTHUR, Captain SEWARD, 687 Tons, will have immediate despatch. For Freight or Passage apply to A. H. HUSCHKE & Co., Agents for the Captain and Owners

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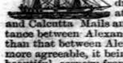
Bombay, 2nd May 1864.

OVERLAND ROUTE *via* TRIESTE.

(In direct communication with the P. and O. Co.'s Steamers to Suez.)



THE AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S MAIL STEAMERS leave Alexandria direct for Trieste weekly, immediately after the arrival of the Bombay and Calcutta Mails and Passengers from Suez. The distance between Alexandria and Trieste is 200 miles shorter than that between Alexandria and Marseilles and is much more agreeable, it being a consting trip full of variety of beautiful scenery from the Island of Candia to the port of Trieste. The passage occupies only 4½ to 5 days and the Company employ on this line their best Steamers, built expressly for this service, and with special reference to the accommodation and comfort of Passengers, with an experienced Surgeon on board each vessel. At Trieste the traveller to England has an extensive choice of picturesques and interesting route, occupying from 3 days 6 hour to 5 days to London at an expense varying from 47 to £15. The railway between Trieste, Calais and Ostend, is complete throughout.

The Custom-house and Pass-port systems have been considerably modified and need not cause any apprehension of being vexatious or troublesome.

Passengers by the P. and O. Company's Steamers to Suez can have their baggage forwarded by that Company's Steamers to Southampton at a charge of 10s. per cwt., to which the Austrian Lloyd's Agent at Suez will attend.

The undersigned Agents are prepared to grant passage tickets for the Steamers plying between Alexandria and Trieste and for the railway between Suez and Alexandria.

Rates of passage-money, including a *liberal* table and steward's fees from Alexandria to Trieste, *first-class* £15; *second-class* £10; *children* under 10 years, *half fare* under 2 years *free*. *Reduced fares* for FAMALIES, consisting of no less than three members travelling together; *first-class* £12 7/8 per head; *second-class* £8-5 per head. Railway tickets from Suez to Alexandria all the privileges of Passengers by the P. and O. Co., *first-class* £7, *second-class* £3 10s.; *children* over 3 and under 10 years at *half fare*. For further particulars, apply to

A. H. HUSCHKE & Co.,
Agents for the Austrian Lloyd.

Bombay, 27, Medow Street.

NOTICE.

Travellers by the Overland route *via* Trieste can have their Pass-Ports *viseé* for Austria and Prussia by the undersigned.

A. C. GUMPERT,
Consul for Austria and Prussia.

Bombay, 27, Medow Street.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST. MADRAS AND CALCUTTA.

(Touching at Colombo should sufficient inducement offer.)

THE British India Steam Navigation Company's (Limited) Screw Steam Ship ARABIA, 1,400 Tons, 250 H. P., Captain HAMLIN, will be despatched on the 15th June, with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, for Calcutta, touching, weather permitting, at Carwar, Cochin, or Narrakel, Negapatam, Madras, Coconada, Visagapatam and Bimlipatam.

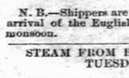
W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM TO KURRACHEE AND THE PERSIAN GULF.

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited) will despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee and the Persian Gulf, with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, on 24th June.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM TO KURRACHEE.



THE British India Steam Navigation Company's (Limited) New Steam Ship COMORIN, 590 Tons, 100 H.P., Captain TAUNTON, will be despatched to Kurracheewith Mails, Passengers and Cargo, twelve hours after arrival of the English Mail.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

N. B.—Shippers are particularly requested to send off arrival of the English mail steamers during the S. W. monsoon.

STEAM FROM BOMBAY TO SURAT EVERY TUESDAY AND FRIDAY.

STEAM FROM SURAT TO BOMBAY EVERY TUESDAY AND FRIDAY

THE Bombay Coast and River Steam Navigation Company (Limited) will dispatch a Steamer from Bombay to Surat every TUESDAY and FRIDAY, and from Surat to Bombay every TUESDAY and FRIDAY, as follow:—

DEPARTURES FROM BOMBAY TO SURAT.

Tuesday 31st May.....JOHNSTON CASTLE.... at 5 P. M.
Friday 3rd June .....MAHARAJ..... at 6 P. M.
Tuesday 7th " JOHNSTON CASTLE... at 6 P. M.

DEPARTURES FROM SURAT TO BOMBAY.

Tuesday 31st May.....MAHARAJ..... at 1 P. M.
Friday 3rd June.....JOHNSTON CASTLE... at 11 A. M.
Tuesday 7th " MAHARAJ..... at 1 P. M.

For Passage, rates of Freight, &c., apply to the undersigned.

FULCHER, COOPER & Co.
No. 7, Rampart Row, 18th May 1864.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Cargo per Ship *Sparkler*, from Liverpool, are requested to despatch boats at once to take delivery, in default whereof the same will be landed at the risk and expense of the concerned.

W. NICOL & Co.,
Agents Ship *Sparkler*.

Bombay, 27th May 1864.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per ship *Tartar*, Captain SMITH, arrived from London, are requested to send off Boats at once to take delivery of their respective Goods otherwise the same will be landed at their expense and risk.

Captain SMITH will not be responsible for the condition of any package after it has left the ship.

WATSON, BOGLE & Co.,
Agents ship *Tartar*.

Bombay, 31st May 1864.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES OF CARGO PER SHIP "HANNIBAL" FROM LIVERPOOL.—With reference to previous Advertisement, the Customs Authorities not having granted us permission to land the unclaimed Cargo by this vessel at the Elphinstone Bunder, we have been compelled to land it at the risk and cost of the concerned, at the Town Bunder; with instructions that the same be retained until our claims for Boat-hire, Landing, Watching, &c. have been paid.

W. NICOL & Co.,
Agents ship *Hannibal*.

Bombay, 31st May 1864.

BOMBAY COAST & RIVER STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (LIMITED).—Consignees of Cargo ex Steamers of this Company, are hereby requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods, lying on the Carnac and Arthur Bunders, failing which the Company hereby give notice they will not be responsible for any damage the Cargo may sustain.

FULCHER, COOPER & Co,
Managers.

Bombay, 1st June 1864.

THE PRINCE OF WALES SHIPPING Co. (LIMITED.)

धि प्रिन्स आफ वेल्स शिपिंग कंपनी लिमिटेड.
धी परीनय आर वेलश शीपीग कमपनी
(लीमीटेड.)

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per *Romania*, Captain CRUICKSHANK, from Liverpool, are requested to send off Boats for their Goods without delay, otherwise they will be landed by the Captain as they come to hand, at the expense and risk of the concerned.

Captain CRUICKSHANK will not be responsible for the condition of any package damaged by rain or otherwise after it leaves the ship's deck.

EWART, LATHAM & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 2nd June 1864.

NOTICES.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Cargo per French Barque *Aurore*, Captain MAILLARD, from Bordeaux, are requested to send off Boats at once to take delivery of their respective Goods, otherwise the same will be landed at their expense and risk.

Captain MAILLARD will not be responsible for the condition of any package after it has left the ship.

RUSTOMJEE H. WADIA,
Agent for Barque *Aurore*.

ASIATIC BANKING CORPORATION.—A Meeting of the Shareholders who have signed the Deed of Settlement of the above Bank will be held at the Office of the Bank in Rampart Row on MONDAY, 6th June, at 4 P. M., to receive the final Report of the Promoters.

A. MORRISON, Agent.

Bombay, 31st May 1864.

THE PRINCE OF WALES SHIPPING Co. (LIMITED.)

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(लीमीटेड.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Royal Bank of India will be held at the Offices of the Bank, in Medow Street, on MONDAY, the 6th June 1864, at one o'clock P.M. to consider the Report of the Directors which will be laid before the Meeting, and in which the following recommendations will be made:—

1st.—That in accordance with the power reserved by the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Bank the Capital of the Bank be increased to Ten Millions of Rupees.

2nd.—That such additional Capital be raised by the issue of new Shares of Rs. 200 each, but that such proportion of such new Shares be divisible into and issued in Shares representing Rs. 133-5-4 and Rs. 66-10-8 as may be requisite to ensure the allotment of such new Shares amongst the existing Shareholders rateably.

3rd.—That the Directors be authorized to issue such new Shares at par or such premium as they may think fit.

4th.—That no Shareholder shall be entitled to vote in respect of any single Share of Rs. 133-5-4 nor in any respect of less than three Shares of Rs. 66-10-8, but that the possession of three Shares of Rs. 66-10-8, each, or of one Share of Rs. 133-5-4, and one Share of Rs. 66-10-8, and so on shall entitle the holder to the same rights of voting or otherwise as the possession of one Share of Rs. 200.

5th.—That interest on Calls in arrears shall be chargeable at such rate as the Board of Directors may from time to time think advisable instead of at the fixed rate of 9 per cent. as provided by Article 91 of the Articles of Association.

6th.—That a Director be elected in the place of Mr. Gray, retired.

7th.—That the Articles of Association be amended in accordance with the amendments above specified.

By order of the Board of Directors,
J. GORDON,
Manager.

Bombay, 20th May 1864.

BANK OF INDIA.

AT a Special Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank, held at their Offices, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th instant, at 3 o'clock P. M.

Present.

Hon'ble A. J. Lewis, Esq., in the Chair.,
H. Forman, Esq.,
W. Wedderburn, Esq.,
W. T. Hill, Esq.,
Premchand Roychund, Esq.,
F. L. Brown, Esq.,
John Firth, Esq.,
Merwanjee Nusserwanjee Bhownuggria, Esq.,
Ghellabhoy Puddumsey, Esq.,
Hormusjee Pestonjee, Esq.,
Sorabjee Byramjee Colah, Esq.,
Jehangheer Hormusjee, Esq.,
Nusserwanjee Ardaseer, Esq.,
Manockjee Limjee, Esq.,
W. Johnston, Esq.,
Ardaseer Merwanjee, Esq.,
Eduljee Nanabhoy, Esq.,
Nanabhoy Hurridass, Esq.,
Eduljee Cursetjee, Esq.,
Abdoola Esmael, Esq.,
Amandass Savucholay, Esq.,
C. Beyts, Esq.,
Dwarkadass Sengjee, Esq., and several others.

The Manager having read the Notice published in the Newspapers calling the Meeting

It was proposed by Premchund Roychund, Esq., and seconded by W. T. Hill, Esq., and carried unanimously—

RESOLUTIONS.

1.—That the number of the Shares in the Capital of the Company be reduced from 40,000 to 24,000 by allotting three Shares of Rupees 250 each to each holder on the 15th day of June next of five original Shares the same to be taken in exchange for such original Shares.

2.—That the Capital of the Company be increased to Rupees one Crore by the issue of 16,000 new Shares of Rupees 250 each, and that two of such new Shares be offered to each Shareholder at par in respect of every five original Shares in the Capital which he may hold on the same 15th day of June 1864.

The Chairman then informed the Meeting that three of the Directors had resigned viz.:—

Alladinbhoy Hubbibhoy, Esq.,
Kessowjee Naique, Esq.,
Cassumbhoy Durrumsey, Esq.,

but that they had been fortunate in securing as their successors in office—

Richard Willis, Esq.,
Limjee Manockjee, Esq.,

and that a Special Meeting would be called for the election of these gentlemen, in accordance with the Bank's Articles of Association.

Proposed by W. T. Hill, Esq., and seconded by Sorabjee Byramjee Colah, Esq., and carried unanimously—

That the thanks of the Meeting be offered to the Chairman for his conduct in the Chair."

The Meeting then dissolved.

By order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN GRAY, Manager.

18th May 1864.

THE ASIATIC BANKING CORPORATION.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER.

Subscribed Capital £500,000 with power to increase to £2,000,000 (two Crores of Rupees).

Capital called up £125,000.

Head Office, No. 4 Lombard Street, London.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Francis Boykett, Esq. Chairman (Messrs. Timothy Wigrin & Co.)
J. A. Russel, Esq. Deputy-Chairman (Messrs. Grey and Coles, London, and Grey & Co., Bombay.)
Thomas Cardwell, Esq. (Messrs. Thomas Cardwell & Co., London, and Cardwell, Parsons & Co., Bombay).
Charles A. Fearon, Esq. (Messrs. Fearon & Co., London, and late of Messrs. Augustine Heard & Co., China).
William Maitland, Esq. (Messrs. McKellop Stewart & Co., Calcutta).

General Manager.—Harry John, Esq.

BANKERS.

The Bank of England.
The London Joint Stock Bank.

Brokers.—Messrs. Foster and Braithwaite.

Solicitors.—Messrs. Freshfields and Newman.

Auditors.—Messrs. Coleman Turquand Youngs & Co.

Agencies and Branches of the Bank are being organised at Bombay, Calcutta, Singapore, Ceylon, Hongkong and Shanghai.

PROMOTERS IN BOMBAY.

The Hon. Michael H. Scott (Messrs. Ritchie, Steuart & Co.)
Robert Hannay Esq., (Messrs. Grey & Co.)
Cowasjee Jehanghir, Esq.

BOMBAY AGENCY.

Temporary Offices.—No. 2 Rampart Row (next to the Bank of Bombay.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Bombay Agency of the Asiatic Banking Corporation will be opened for the transaction of General Banking business on TUESDAY the 7th June next.

By order of the Directors,
A. MORRISON, Agent.

Bombay, 31st May 1864.

NOTICES.

WANTED.—A thoroughly competent BOOK-KEEPER. Address with references and qualifications "S," at this Office.

WANTED.—A good expeditious Native Draughtsman for an Architect's Office. Address "Cephas," *Bombay Gazette*.

WANTED, by an European Firm, a BOOK-KEEPER, of energy and experience. A liberal salary will be given to a thoroughly competent person. Apply, stating terms and handing copies of testimonials, to "W.," care Publisher *Times of India*.

A CARD.—MR. G. LATHAM, Civil Engineer, Architect and Surveyor. Offices—9 Rampart Row, Fort.

TIFFINS! TIFFINS!! TIFFINS!!!—The best Tiffin in Bombay to be had at half-past one o'clock daily, at the Cambridge Hotel.

Also, a first-class Billiard Table.

NOTICE.—MR. HENRY HUBBARD is admitted a Partner in our Firm.

Hongkong, 22nd February 1864. DENT & Co.

NOTICE.—MR. PIERRE PAGLIANO has been admitted my partner from the 15th instant, and our business will be carried on in future as Merchants and Commission Agents under the style of PAGLIANO & Co.

Bombay, 1st June 1864. ALBERT VINAY.

N. B.—All applications, concerning Messrs G. W. WHEATLEY & Co.'s Overland Agency, should be addressed to the new Firm.

NOTICE.—The undersigned have this day removed from No. 1 Meadow Street, to the premises immediately opposite.

Bombay, 1st June 1864. P. GRANT & SON, Saddlers.

TREACHER & Co. (LIMITED).—NOTICE is hereby given, that the Meeting of the Shareholders lately advertised to take place on the 25th instant, is postponed until the 15th proximo.

By order of the Directors,
W. H. SARGENT, Secretary.

IT is hereby notified, for the information of the Public, that the Fort Police Office will be removed to the New Ground in Her Majesty's Dockyard, and that the New Office will be opened, for the transaction of business, on the 1st June next.

N. OLIVER, Acting Senior Magistrate of Police.

Bombay Police Office, 30th May 1864.

THE following Passages are required:—

FROM BOMBAY TO THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.

For (3) three time-expired Men of Her Majesty's Military Service.

FROM BOMBAY TO SINGAPORE.

For (8) eight time-expired Convicts.

By order of the Superintendent of Marine,
GEO. INGLE, Secretary.

Superintendent's Office, Bombay, 14th May 1864.

ASIATIC BANKING CORPORATION.—The Company's Deed of Settlement is now ready for signature at the Office of the Corporation, and Provisional Stock Certificates will be issued in exchange for the Call Receipts. Holders, not being allottees,—are requested to see that these are regularly endorsed, as, otherwise, they cannot be recognised.

For the Promoters,
WILL. STEEL.

Rampart Row, Bombay, 20th May 1864.

SUN FIRE OFFICE.—The undersigned are prepared to accept risks against Fire on Dwelling and Warehouses within and outside the Fort Walls.

For particulars apply to

LECKIE & Co., Agents Sun Fire Office.

UNITED MERCANTILE COMPANY (LIMITED.)

ધ્યુનાઇટેડ મરકનટાયલ કંપની લીમીટેડ.

NOTICE.—The Share Certificates for the above Company are now ready for issue, and it is requested that the Receipts granted for the first Call be sent to the undersigned to be exchanged for the Share Certificates.

EWART, LATHAM & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Offices, Bombay, No. 1, Bruce Lane, 14th May 1864.

BOMBAY PRESS COMPANY (LIMITED.)

બ્બામ્બે પરેશ કંપની (લીમીટેડ.)

NOTICE.—A General Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Office, No. 11, Hornby Row, on Thursday, the 23rd June 1864, at 3 P. M., to receive the Report of the Directors for the year ending the 31st May 1864.

In consequence of which, Register of Shareholders will be closed from the 2nd to the 16th June, both inclusive, during which time no transfer will be registered.

ALEX. C. BRICE & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

No. 8, Hornby Row, Bombay, 21st May 1864.

EAST INDIA PRESS COMPANY (LIMITED.)

ઇસ્ટ ઇંડીયા પરેશ કુંપની (લીમીટેડ.)

NOTICE.—A General Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Office, No. 8, Hornby Row, on the 6th June 1864, at 3 P. M. to receive the Report of Directors for the period ending the, 31st May 1864.

ALEXANDER C. BRICE & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

No. 8, Hornby Row, 21st May 1864.

SALE OF LAND ON THE ESPLANADE.—PRELIMINARY ADVERTISEMENT.—The Rampart Removal Committee propose, with the concurrence of Government, to sell by Public Auction, on or about the 1st of August next, a few lots of ground, on the site of the old Ramparts.

The lots will be sold on Building Leases of 99 years, and will have frontages of from 30 to 40 feet each, with a depth of from 120 to 140 feet. The frontage will be eastward facing the old town.

There will probably be 5 such lots, forming one block, in Hornby Row, in the neighbourhood of the old Bazar Gate.

5 Lots in Rampart Row 140 feet deep.
5 Lots in Rope Walk Row 140 feet deep.

Further particulars will be furnished in future Advertisements, but in the mean time any information the Rampart Removal Committee can furnish with reference to the conditions which it is proposed to insert in the leases, may be obtained on personal application to the undersigned at his office near the Cooperage until the 10th instant.

J. TRUBSHAWE,
Architectural Secy. to the Rampart Removal Committee.

Bombay, 1st June 1864.

TENDERS will be received up to noon of the 10th instant by the Superintendent of Marine, for the conveyance to England of a party consisting of Invalids and Troops as per margin.

5	Invalids
10	Men in health.
1	Woman.
3	Children.

2nd. Tenders should specify the date upon which the vessel will be ready to receive Troops, also the rate per head in Indian Currency, the ship finding Fittings, Provision and Water.

3rd. The Biscuit must be purchased from the Commissariat Department.

4th. Two-thirds of the Passage Money will be paid in Bombay and the remaining one-third on the arrival of Troops in England.

5th. All Tenders must be made in a Form to be obtained at the Office of the Agent for Transports, which will furnish further necessary information for parties tendering.

By order of the Superintendent of Marine,
GEO. INGLE, Secretary.

Superintendent's Office, Bombay, 2nd June 1864.

THE Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy School of Art will re-open on MONDAY the 6th June 1864. The course of studies includes

Monday, 7 A. M.

Elementary and Outline.....Mr. Terry.
Architecture..... " Trubshawe.
Shading..... " Terry.

2 P. M.

Colour and Shading.....Mr. Terry, Mr. Schaumburg.

Tuesday, 7 A. M.

Elementary and Outline.....Mr. Terry.
Colour..... " Schaumburg.

2 P. M.

Figure Drawing. General Instruction.....Mr. Terry.

5 P. M.

Geometry .....Mr. Terry.

Wednesday, 7 A. M.

Elementary and Outline.....Mr. Terry.
Shading.....Mr. Terry, Mr. Schaumburg.
Wood Engraving..... " Ditto " Bapoojee.

2 P. M.

Colour and Shading.....Mr. Terry, Mr. Schaumburg.

Thursday, 7 A. M.

Elementary and Outline.....Mr. Terry.
Architecture..... " Trubshawe.

2 P. M.

Figure Drawing. General Instruction.....Mr. Terry.

5 P. M.

Perspective Colour.....Mr. Terry.

Friday, 7 A. M.

Elementary and Outline.....Mr. Terry.
Shading.....Mr. Terry, Mr. Schaumburg.

2 P. M.

Colour and Shading.....Mr. Terry, Mr. Schaumburg.

Saturday, 7 A. M.

Elementary and Outline.....Mr. Terry.
Wood Engraving.....Mr. Terry, Mr. Bapooice.
Colour.....Mr. Schaumburg.

The hours of attendance are from 7 A. M. to 9 A. M. daily, From 1 A. M. to 4 P. M. daily, Saturday exempted, and from 5-30 P. M. to dusk on Mondays and Thursdays.

The Students from the Drawing Classes of the Elphinstone College and Institution will be admitted to the Lectures on Perspective and Practical Geometry on payment of one Rupee per month.

All others not belonging to the Drawing Classes of those two institutions or the School of Art can attend on payment of Rupees two per month.

All payments to be made in advance.

HOUSES, &c., TO LET.

TO LET, a large OFFICE, at No. 24, Church Gate Street.

TO LET.—Several Godowns at the Victoria Bunder. Apply to RITCHIE, STEUART & Co.

TO LET, from 1st June next, the Premises now occupied by the Scinde, Punjab, and Delhi Bank. apply at the Bank or to Messrs. WALLACE & Co. in the same building.

TO BE LET, two large ROOMS well adapted for offices. Apply to 17 Church Street. TAYLOR, RANDALL & Co.

TO LET, in Rampart Row, a good sized ROOM suited for a Barrister's or Broker's Office.—Apply to E. LEGGATT & Co. LEGGATT & Co.

TO LET.—The Premises, No. 15, Rampart Row, next to the P. and O. S. N. Company's Office, and now occupied by the undersigned to whom apply.

LEGGATT & Co.

GODOWNS TO LET.—In Forbes' Street, Fort, and near the Musjid Bunder, large pucka-built Godowns. STEARNS, HOBART & Co.

6, Apollo Street.

TO BE LET, light, airy, and commodious OFFICES, very cool, and a convenient distance from the Court House, Custom House, &c. Rent moderate. Apply to "X. Y." *Bombay Gazette*.

11th April 1864.

WINES, SPIRITS, BEER, &c.

ALLSOPPS' BEER, in Wood, October Brew, now ready.

Orders registered by CARDWELL PARSONS & Co.

ALLSOPP'S INDIA PALE ALE in excellent condition, bottled by F. FRIEND & Co., in Quarts and Pints at Rs. 5 and Rs. 3 per dozen respectively; also their STOUT PORTER at Rs. 5 for Quarts and Rs. 3 per dozen for Pints. Apply to CARDWELL, PARSONS & Co., Rampart Row.

N. B.—Messrs. F. FRIEND & Co., having suffered severely from the forgery of their labels, have adopted a new Trade Mark, which is also impressed on the capsule, and particular attention is called to it.

TO THE TRADE.

TENNENT'S BEER AND PORTER.—The undersigned have always on hand direct supplies of Messrs. J. and R. Tennent's East India Pale Ale, and XX Porter.

Purchasers are particularly requested to observe that the name "J. and R. Tennent, Glasgow," should be branded on the Cork. FRAMJEE, SANDS & Co.,

Sole Agents to Messrs. J. and R. Tennent.

Bombay, 10th February 1864.

FOR SALE, at the Godowns of the undersigned, good old Golden SHERRY at Rs. 16 per Dozen and SPARKLING MOSELLE and HOCK at Rs. 25 per Dozen. LEGGATT & Co.

Bombay, 5th April 1864.

J. & C. WHITE & Co.'s WINES, as follows:—

Sherry, quarts, in 2 dozen Cases.		
Port, quarts, in 2 dozen Cases.		
Port pints, in 4 dozen Cases.		
THOMAS HINE & Co.'s BRANDY in		
2 Dozen Cases Vintage 1854 Rs. 32.		
2 Do. do. do. 1858 " 26.		
2 Do. do. do. 1860 " 23.		

Apply to GEORGE S. KING & Co.

TOD-HEATLY & Co.
(LATE R. TODD, AND JAMES ADELPHI, LONDON.)

MESSRS. CARDWELL, PARSONS & Co., Agents for the above well known firm, have on sale at their Godowns the following WINES, &c.:—

	Per doz.
Champagne, Brand Tod-Heatly & Co. .....Rs.	40 0
Do. " a Crown .....Do.	30 0
Do. " Tod-Heatly & Co. Pints.....	40 0
Moselle, Sparkling Extra, 1st quality.....	40 0
Moselle. Sup. Sparkling Brand Tod-Heatly & Co.....	36 0
Do. Fine " a Crown.....	30 0
Hock, Sparkling Brand Tod-Heatly & Co.....	36 0
Sherry Pale, Blue Seal	23 0
Do. Do. Yellow Seal	29 0
Do. Golden	29 0
Do. Green Seal	29 0
Do. Vino Fino	29 0
Do. Red Seal.....	33 0
Amontillado, Black Seal	33 0
Claret Light Capsule.....	15 0
Do. Yellow Seal	23 0
Do. Red " Pints	17 0
Do. Do. Do. Quarts	32 0
Port, Black Seal.....	26 0
Brandy, Vieux Cognac	34 0
Do. Brand a Crown	24 0
Old Tom, Red Seal	18 0
Dry Gin, Black Seal	18 0

N. B.—In the barrel (containing 3 or 4 dozen of (quarts) and 6 dozen of pints), with an allowance of one bottle per dozen for breakage and ullage. For 50 dozen and upwards a reduction might be made. per dozen.

TOD-HEATLY & Co. are prepared to execute direct orders as usual.

Rampart Row, 20th May 1863.

In consequence of the greatly increased value of Sherry during the past year, and the further advance now made in Spain upon this Wine, Messrs. Tod-Heatly & Co. are obliged from and after this date to raise their quotations to the above rates, 15th February 1864.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE.—For Sale, at the godowns of the undersigned, JULES MUMM & Co.'s first quality sparkling dry CHAMPAGNE, in Quarts and Pints. JACKSON ACKROYD & Co.,

1st October 1863. 1, Oak Lane.

MOSELLE AND HOCK, of first class quality, from Deinhard and Jordan Coblentz, in quarts and pints. Rs. 30 and Rs. 16 per dozen, for cash only.

TREACHER & Co. (LIMITED.)

Fort and Byculla.

FOR SALE.—Messrs. Nathaniel Johnston & Sons Superior CLARETS, at the undermentioned greatly reduced prices, to close an account:—

No. 2, a rich Dinner Claret, in Quarts	Rs. 21	0	per dozen.
" 3, a full flavored Do., in Quarts	16	8	" "
" " Ditto in Pints	9	0	" "
" 4, a light Breakfast Do. in Quarts	12	8	" "

Apply to LEGGATT & Co., Rampart Row.

PRINCE OF WALES' MESS BRANDY.—The undersigned have been appointed by Préverand DeSonneville, Esq., of Bordeaux, Sole Agents for India, for the sale of the above celebrated Brandy. The first consignment has just arrived per *Lepanto* and is ready for delivery. PASSMORE & Co.

3, Medow Street.

MUMM'S CHAMPAGNE.—The undersigned have been appointed by Messrs. G. H. Mumm & Co. of Rheims, Sole Agents for the sale of their celebrated Champagne Wines at Bombay and Kurrachee. The first consignment has just arrived per *Lepanto* and is ready for delivery. PASSMORE & Co.

3, Meadow Street.

ON SALE.—The undersigned have received for sale:—

RIFLES AND GUNS.—Daw's new patent Breech-loaders, Calisher and Terry's well known Rifles, Adam's Revolvers.

COGNACS.—Otard, Dupuy's & Co.'s and Martell & Co.'s 1857.

SHERRIES.—Ripe, Fruity, and Golden.

GIN.—Booth's Old Tom.

SPARKLING MOSELLE AND HOCK.—Mumm's extra superior.

CHAMPAGNES.—Forestier's 1st quality, pints and quarts.

2 Dean Lane. BLACKWELL & Co.

FOR SALE, (apply to MERWANJEE MANECKJEE, Godown keeper at the Office of the undersigned.

BEER—Tennent's Pale Ale, in qts. at ..... per dz. Rs. 42
Do. in pints " "

N. B.—In the barrel (containing 3 or 4 dozen of (quarts) and 6 dozen of pints), with an allowance of one bottle per dozen for breakage and ullage. For 50 dozen and upwards a reduction might be made. per dozen.

BRANDY—Good Pale Cognac, from France, at	Rs.	16
Old do. do.	"	18
BURGUNDY—Light Beaujolais, red Capsules	"	15
Do. white do	"	13
CHAMPAGNE—Ruinart's, red Seal, in quarts	"	38
Green Seal, quarts	"	42
CLARET—Chateau Leoville, fine	"	32
Chateau Beychevelle	"	17
St. Estéphe, a light breakfast wine	"	12
Do. in pints	"	"

GINGER WINE—Sealed, from Leith ..... per doz. 9
PORT—Carbonell's old ruby, from ..... " 32
SHERRY—Do. pale old dry, Expected shortly. " 32
Good pale tiffin (Cortissos) " 22
Dry pale dinner " 28
CANDLES, a few boxes (25 lb. each) fine Sperm, p. box " 12

CARBINES and RIFLES } Westley Richards' Breechloaders, (as also Caps and Cartridges.) At various prices.

SAFES—Milners' and Price's patent fireproof
IRON CHAIRS—Brown Brothers' celebrated folding.....

EWART, LATHAM & Co.

Bruce Lane, 22nd Feb. 1864.

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A PORTABLE STEAM ENGINE, 5 Horses nominal Power, can work up to eight, Double Steam Gauges and extra Brasses for Bearings and Fittings complete. Large Fire Box for burning wood, and Boiler made to order of extra stout Plates. Apply to

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JUST RECEIVED.—FRESH STORES ex "SULTANA" AND "CITY OF YORK."—Finest York Hams, Wiltshire Bacon, Fresh and Kippered Salmon, Ditto Herrings, Finnan Haddocks Cod Roe, Soups assorted Pearl Barley, Oatmeal, Oysters, Dutch Cheeses, Vegetables assorted, Jams and Jellies, Confectionery, 1 lb. Bottles, Malt and White Wine Venegar, in Quarts and Pints, &c. &c.

Gauze, Fishing Rods and Tackle Lumbin's Scents.

Tobacco, in ½ lb. Tins, Shag Birds Eye, Returns, Latakia Smoking mixture, Milos Ebony Pipes &c. &c.

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LAMPS.—The undersigned have on hand a large supply of the following:—

Tucker's Solar Lamps.	Tucker's Wall Lamps.
" Reading do.	" Bull's Eye Lanterns.
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" Argand do.	

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SELECTED TEAS FROM CHINA.—Messrs. TREACHER & Co. (Limited) have made arrangements with Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., China, for CONSTANT SHIPMENTS of the BEST TEAS selected by J. M. & Co.'s Tea-taster at Canton.

Flowery Pekoe,	In 7 lbs. boxes, and 1 lb. packets expected.
Souchong,	
Best Mixed Souchong and Pekoe,	
Do. do. do. and Hyson,	
Do. Orange Pekoe,	
Do. Green Teas.	

MOCHA COFFEE and CRYSTALIZED SUGAR of the best to h

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

TO LET.—A nice compact BUNGALOW of four Rooms, Compound, Veluar Water, partly furnished, and situated in Mazagon. Rent Rs. 150 per month. Furniture may be had at a valuation. Apply to Mr. PESTONJEE BURJORJEE, No. 1, Hornby Row.

NOTICE.—Consignees per *Campbell*, from London, are requested to despatch Boats at once for their Goods, failing the same will be landed by the Captain at the risk and expense of the concerned.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents Ship *Campbell*.

Bombay, 3rd June 1864.

NOTICE.—Consignees of Cargo per *Duleep Singh*, from Liverpool, are requested to despatch Boats at once to take delivery, otherwise the same will be landed at the risk and expense of the concerned.

WM. NICOL, & Co., Agents Ship *Duleep Singh*.

Bombay, 3rd June 1864.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES OF CARGO PER "EARL DALHOUSIE."—Several Consignees having failed to send Boats for their Cargo in consequence of which the discharge of the Vessel is much delayed, it is hereby notified that all Goods, for which Boats are not alongside to take delivery as they come to hand, will be landed by the undersigned at the risk and expense of the concerned, and will be held as security for the payment of all costs as incurred.

Captain CAMPBELL will not be responsible for the condition of any Package after it has left the Ship's deck.

A. H. HUSCHKE & Co.,

Agents for the Owners and Captain of the *Earl Dalhousie*.

4th June 1864.

KURRACHEE LANDING AND SHIPPING COMPANY (LIMITED).—Notice is hereby given, that a further Call of Rupees 150 per Share is payable on all Shares in the above Company on or before the 15th day of June next to the undersigned, or to Messrs. W. NICOL & Co., Bombay.

FLEMING & Co., Secretaries and Treasurers.

Kurrachee, 27th May 1864.

BOMBAY WOOL COMPANY (LIMITED).—Notice is hereby given, that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company, will be held at our Office in Church Lane, on MONDAY, the 20th instant, at 3 P. M., for the purpose of having the Supplemental Articles of Association laid before it for approval.

By order of the Board of Directors,

ROPER, PRICE & Co.,

Bombay, 3rd June 1864. Secretaries and Treasurers.

THE PRINCE OF WALES SHIPPING COMPANY, (LIMITED).

શ્રી પરીનય આફ વેલ્સ શીપીંગ કંપની લીમીટેડ.

प्रिंस ऑफ वेल्स शिपिंग कंपनी लिमीटेड

NOTICE.—The Special General Meeting of the above Company advertised to be held on SATURDAY, the 4th instant, at 2 P. M., is postponed till the 9th instant, at 2 P. M.

EWART, LATHAM & Co.,

Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 3rd June 1864.

BOMBAY HOUSE AND LAND INVESTMENT COMPANY (LIMITED.)

બોમ્બે હાઉસ એન્ડ લેન્ડ ઇનવેસ્ટમેન્ટ કંપની લીમીટેડ.

बंबे हाऊस एंड लॅन्ड इंवेष्टमेंट कंपनी लिमीटेड.

A GENERAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, on MONDAY, the 13th June, at 3 P. M., to confirm the following Resolution passed at a Meeting held on the 11th May 1864, viz:—

"That the Directors of the Company shall be at liberty from time to time as they may think fit, to sell, mortgage, lease, or let for the benefit of the House and Land Investment Company, all or any portion or portions of any Lands, Buildings, or Premises, which the Company may, for the time being, hold or possess, upon such terms and subject to such conditions as they may think fit."

ALEX. C. BRICE & Co.,

Secretary and Treasurers.

8, Hornby Row, Bombay, 3rd June 1864.

BANK OF INDIA.—Notice is hereby given, that a Special General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held within the Bank's Office on MONDAY, the 6th instant, when the following Resolutions which were agreed to at the General Meeting held on the 18th day of May last, will be submitted for confirmation:—

1. That the number of the Shares in the Capital of the Company be reduced from 40,000 to 24,00 by allotting three Shares of Rupees 250 each to each holder on the 15th day of June next, of five original Shares the same to be taken in exchange for such original Shares.

2. That the Capital of the Company be increased to Rupees One Crore, Sixty Lakhs (1,60,00) new Shares of Rupees 250 each, and that two of such new Shares be offered to each Shareholder at par in respect of every five original Shares in the Capital which he may hold on the same 15th day of June 1864.

By order of the Board of Directors,

Bombay, 3rd June 1864. JOHN GRAY, Manager.

NOTICE.—Sealed Tenders will be received at the Office of the Surveyor to the Municipal Commissioners at 2 o'clock P.M., on Thursday, the 9th instant, for the construction of

Twenty Night Soil Carts, and Twenty Scavenging Carts, as per pattern, to be seen in the Surveyor's Office.

ALSO,

For the daily supply by contract of 2 Candies and 5 Phurras of Gram and 5,250 Bundles of Hay, at such time and place as may be appointed.

A deposit of two per cent. will be required to accompany each Tender, to be forfeited in case of any evasion in signing the Deed of Contract.

The Surveyor does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

R. SIMS,

Acting Surveyor to the Municipal Commissioners.

Bombay, 4, Hornby Row, 3rd June 1864.

POSTAL NOTICES.

OVERLAND MAIL.

The Overland Mail, per P. and O. Co.'s Steamer, will be closed on THURSDAY, the 9th June, at 7 o'clock A.M. Another packet will be kept open, on payment of the usual fee of 8 annas for which must be prepaid by Stamps) until 8 o'clock A. M.

Registered Letters will be received until 6 P. M. of the previous day.

CHINA MAIL.

The Post Office Packets for Ceylon, Penang, Singapore, and Hongkong, per P. & O. Company's Steamer, will be closed on SUNDAY, the 5th June, at 6 o'clock P. M. A packet for late letters will be kept open, on payment of the usual fee, until 7 A. M. on the 14th.

Letters, &c., for Australia will be despatched direct by this opportunity.

MAILS FOR KURRACHEE AND SIND.

Mails for Kurrachee and Sind, per Steamer, will be closed 12 hours after the arrival of the Overland Mail.

CALENDAR JUNE, 1864.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

New Moon, Saturday,	4th.....	4h. 31m.	P. M.
First Quarter, Sunday,	12th.....	4h. 40m.	P. M.
Full Moon, Monday,	20th.....	3h. 45m.	A. M.
Last Quarter, Monday,	28th.....	7h. 38m.	P. M.

Days.	Dates.	Sundays, Festivals, &c.	Sun rises.	Sun Sets.	High Water Bombay Harbour. Morn	Even	Evening Gun-fire.
			h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
Sat.	4	Venus rises at 4.38.	5 23	6 33	10 54	11 13	
Sun.	5	2nd Sunday after Trinity.	5 23	6 33	11 33	11 52	
Mon.	6	V enus sets at 5h. 43.	5 23	6 34	—	0 11	
Tues.	7	Mars rises at 1h. 22.	5 23	6 34	0 20	0 47	
Wed.	8	Mars sets at 1h. 29.	5 23	6 35	1 6	1 25	
Thur.	9	St. Anthony's	5 23	6 35	1 44	2 3	2nd June 1864.
Fri.	10	Daybreak at 3h. 59.	5 23	6 36	2 23	2 45	Time Gun-fire 9h. 1m. 58.0.

LATEST DATES RECEIVED.

ADEN	May 17	KURRACHEE	May 28
AGRA	May 28	LAHORE	May 25
ALLAHABAD	May 28	LONDON	May 3
AUSTRALIA	Apr. 26	MAURITIUS	April 6
ALEXANDRIA	May 14	MADRAS	May 28
BANGALORE	May 27	MALTA	May 8
CALCUTTA	May 27	MEERUT	May 27
CAPE	May 3	MOULMEIN	May 28
CEYLON	May 16	PUNJAUB	May 14
COCHIN	May 21	PENANG	May 23
DELHI	May 24	RANGOON	Mar. 8
FRANCE	May 4	SUEZ	May 12
HONGKONG	May 13	SINGAPORE	May 21

The Bombay Gazette.

SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 1864.

THE importance to British interests of the civil war that is now raging in Afghanistan is not yet fully appreciated by Anglo-Indians. The often unintelligible and always obscure form in which the news-letters to the *Delhi Gazette*, containing the only trustworthy information with regard to affairs in Caubul that reaches this country, are published, lessens their real value in the eyes of impatient newspaper readers, who will recognize no virtues in a writer incapable of saying what he wants to say in language that is plain, clear, and easy to be understood. A little judicious pruning would make the letters much more pleasant reading. The affectation of precision which leads the news-writer to put them in the form of a diary of events that occur at the Ameer's Court only cumbers them with trivial and useless matter, most of which is quite beyond the comprehension of ordinary men, and has no meaning that is worth the trouble of finding out. The petty intrigues of the capital and the troubles of grain-sellers and highway robbers are recorded with even more solicitude than is bestowed on public affairs of the utmost gravity; and it is only as it were by accident that we here and there light upon an announcement that Caubul is passing through a political crisis, or that one of the pretenders to the Sovereignty of the Afghans has been utterly defeated and forced to seek refuge in British territory. This confusion accounts in some measure for the indifference with which the news of the triumph of Shere Ali Khan over his brother Anzim Khan has been received in India. Yet upon the result of the struggle in Afghanistan depends the tranquillity of our north-western frontier.

Up to this time, the course that the war has taken seems to testify the prudence of the conduct of our Government in recognizing Shere Ali Khan as the legitimate successor to Dost Mohammed. A writer in a recent number of *Blackwood's Magazine* complains bitterly that this recognition was made in a moment of panic when the English Government was alarmed for the safety of its frontier provinces, and anticipates none but evil results from a resolution so hastily formed. He says:—"The Dost's favourite son, Gholam Hyder, who had been many years ago declared heir-apparent by the Dost, had died suddenly some time previous to his father's demise. Of the remaining sons Afzul Khan was the eldest, and the one most likely to be declared ruler of Cabool, for he had been for many years the Governor of one of the largest provinces in the dominions of Dost Mohammed Khan; and having been constantly engaged in repelling the attacks of the nomad tribes on the north-west frontier of the territory, his thousands of followers were inured to war and bloodshed, and it was well known among the Afghans that they were prepared to make a desperate onslaught upon any chief who would aspire to be a rival claimant to their master for the throne of Cabool. Though he was the eldest son, we chose to make light of his claims, and in a moment of panic, when the hill tribes on our north-west frontier were in arms against us, we recognised, as the future ruler of Afghanistan, his brother, Shere Ali Khan. This chief, happening to be at Cabool at the time of his father's death, and availing himself of the powerful Afzul Khan's absence, had possessed himself of the reins of government. The most sanguine could not otherwise have hoped than that his was to be but a temporary possession. Moreover, the time that our troops were hotly engaged beyond our own frontier, and when our force was in a somewhat critical position in a mountainous district on the confines of Afghanistan, was not a time to hold out suddenly the hand of recognition to any aspirant to the throne of Cabool, still less to such an aspirant as Shere Ali Khan. A little patience and a little calmness at this conjuncture would have been more becoming than the hasty recognition of a chief, of whose power to retain the supreme rule in the state we were ignorant. By late accounts we learn that Afzul Khan and another brother are in arms against the ruler we thought fit to recognise; and more bitter than ever is their hostility, now that they learn that we have thrown the shadow of our friendship upon him, and that at a time when he or they but little expected it. Now more than ever is it a matter of regret that we hastily recognised a chief who has but little chance of successfully opposing the swarms of Afghan warriors arrayed under the banners of his brothers, and who are probably at this very time making the bazaars of Cabool noisy with the clang of arms. Thus we have again to reap a crop of embarrassment, if not discredit, in displaying the worthlessness of our proffered friendship. Panic simply, during our late troubles on the north-west frontier of India, has led us to adopt a precipitate and affectedly cordial recognition of the first comer, and proffer a sop to avert the further enmity of a chief who has always shown himself hostile to us. So it was that when, in 1857, the frontier politicians, upon their overweening confidence giving place to intense alarm, on the discovery that rebellion was rife throughout our possessions in the north-west, devised the notable scheme of seeking to secure the inactivity of the long neglected Dost Mohammed, by means of paying him an enormous monthly stipend. But no sooner was it felt that large European reinforcements had re-established our sway than the stipend was stopped, and the sagacious honest old king was abandoned to his reflections on the prodigality and fondness of British functionaries in a fright, and their parsimony and reserve as their terrors subsided." These criticisms seem to us to convey a mistaken estimate of the policy of the British Government. In the first place, Shere Ali Khan was nominated by Dost Mohammed himself before he died to succeed him as Ameer of Caubul. The fact of Afzul Khan being the elder brother is nothing to the purpose; for in a feudal country like Afghanistan, where a legitimate title means the right of the strongest, whatever go there may be in this "vaunted tat" has become exhausted, and he resolutely refuses to go forward except at a walking pace. I apply the "persuader" until it becomes a question of cruelty to animals if continued further, and abandon that method of inducing rapid locomotion in favour of the stick. This the animal understands up to a point, and instead of bending me off my seat on to its neck where I cling in vigorous but any thing but loving embrace, where upon a wild guffaw breaks forth from the attendant sprites, and my friend is convulsed with laughter. Somewhat nettled, I tell that friend, who is a tolerable horseman, that he may go to, and that I am quite capable of getting to the summit without his assistance. He bows me a polite "good evening," and I see him no more.

Sudden gusts of wind sweep down the openings and gorges of the mountain sides, the soughing of which through the all but leafless branches of the trees, combined with the rapid rustling of the brown and withered leaves, together with the light rapidly deepening into gloom, are not very inspiriting, and make one feel at once lonely and uncomfortable. My companion, I call him friend no longer, is out of sight, and as the tat wearily picks his way at the rate of two miles an hour, which I feel sure will decrease to one, it becomes a question whether Matheran will be reached before morning. My conjectures and anxiety on this subject are unfortunately fully confirmed. Instead of being a help he has become a burden. The creamiest milk of human kindness has been bestowed on him to no purpose, and I make up my mind to abandon him, which I do forthwith. I tether him to a tree by the wayside, and fasten the spur to his ear. Before we part, I lable him useless and unfit to ride, give him a smart cut with a stick which he resents by kicking at me vigorously, and go on my way rejoicing.

The hill is not very steep; the walk will do me good, I want waking up; so at it I go. To be sure, the soil is loose, at times up to my ankles; at others over my shoes. But this will mend, no doubt. Unfortunately it does not mend; on the contrary it gets worse, and, as the hill gets steeper, the thick beads of perspiration which have been for some time gathering amalgamate and burst into rivulets all over me. The stars are peeping out one by one, and as night comes on visions of sporting extraordinary flit across my brain, and extraordinary adventures and hair breadth escapes crowd upon me as I quicken my pace. Beyond the hoot of an owl, the chattering of a nocturnal monkey, and the piping of a species of nightingale, not a sound is heard, and I feebly object to re-assume; but in my present spirite tells me it is *bohout atcha*, so I allow him to have his way. Not more than a dozen times in my life have I sat astride a horse, and as we take our departure open, not covert, remarks are made concerning my personal appearance; and I feel sure, from the gibes which reach my ear and the satire displayed on the united countenances of the great unwashed, that if London lads were here the exclamation would be, "Hadn't you better get inside?" Perish the thought.

By the help of the "persuader," a liberal allowance of *chabook*, and no small amount of coaxing, the first two miles are accomplished pretty satisfactorily. By this time, however, whatever go there may be in this "vaunted tat" has become exhausted, and he resolutely refuses to go forward except at a walking pace. I apply the "persuader" until it becomes a question of cruelty to animals if continued further, and abandon that method of inducing rapid locomotion in favour of the stick. This the animal understands up to a point, and instead of bending me off my seat on to its neck where I cling in vigorous but any thing but loving embrace, where upon a wild guffaw breaks forth from the attendant sprites, and my friend is convulsed with laughter. Somewhat nettled, I tell that friend, who is a tolerable horseman, that he may go to, and that I am quite capable of getting to the summit without his assistance. He bows me a polite "good evening," and I see him no more.

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The hill is not very steep; the walk will do me good, I want waking up; so at it I go. To be sure, the soil is loose, at times up to my ankles; at others over my shoes. But this will mend, no doubt. Unfortunately it does not mend; on the contrary it gets worse, and, as the hill gets steeper, the thick beads of perspiration which have been for some time gathering amalgamate and burst into rivulets all over me. The stars are peeping out one by one, and as night comes on visions of sporting extraordinary flit across my brain, and extraordinary adventures and hair breadth escapes crowd upon me as I quicken my pace. Beyond the hoot of an owl, the chattering of a nocturnal monkey, and the piping of a species of nightingale, not a sound is heard, and I feebly object to re-assume; but, as

"The dog is content like a woman of bad life; he wanders in the streets like a woman of bad life; nourishes himself with what he can find like a woman of bad life; he is as a woman of bad life." The philosopher wished to prove that he was acquainted with all conditions' what matter, that it was at the expense of the dog and of reason? But patience! let us have the last comparison, as long as the last but not the others.

"The dog sleeps a great deal like a young person; he is lively, and always in action like a young person; he has a long tongue like a young person; he runs in advance like a young person. Such are the two chief dogs which I (Hormazda) have caused to move in places, to wit, the dog Pesoschorum and the dog Vescheroun.'

"Hormazd, great Hormazd, origin of all good as Ahriman is the origin of all evil according to the Vendidad among Gaubres, if they had dictated this dog of a description to Zoroaster, I give thee no yescht: thou art but a foolish genius; perhaps with the 'colour of lilies and roses,' but certainly without brain!

"You see, Sir," proceeds Sir W. Jones, "how the evil increases; we will in our turn end with these exclamations: will you like better this dilemma? Either Zoroaster had not common sense, or he did not write the book which you attribute to him; if he had not common sense, he ought to have been left in the throng, and in obscurity; if he did not write the book, it was imprudent to publish it in his name."

I trust "Latow" will now be satisfied that I made no groundless assertion regarding Zoroaster, or his writings, if indeed they (at least some of them) could be properly called his writings. "Latow" has challenged me to prove that the Zend Avesta is all nonsense. It is not possible to do this within the limits of a single letter, as it would require me to make long quotations from Mr. Cama's book, with comments upon them. Will you, Mr. Editor, permit me to write a series of letters on this subject? If, however, the above-quoted passages from Sir W. Jones, and some other testimonies which I shall subsequently give, convince you and "Latow" of the nonsensicality of the Zend Avesta, and of the absurdity of its being recognized as a book of inspiration, I shall not trouble you any further. But let the Parsis read carefully what the most famous men in the world have said regarding their books. Gibbon, against whom they can have no prejudice, speaks of the Zend Avesta as "that motly composition, dictated by reason and passion, by enthusiasm and by selfish motives"—and as containing only "some useful and sublime truths, disgraced by a mixture of the most abject and dangerous superstition." Richardson, the first European author of a Persian and Arabic Lexicon, asks earnestly, "Can human credulity suppose this to be the composition of Zoroaster, or of any man who had pretensions to common sense?" Major-General Vans Kennedy, whose book on Heathen Mythology is one of the best works on that subject, says of the Zend Avesta, that "It is in every respect totally unworthy of attention, for I concur entirely in the justness of this dilemma, proposed by Sir W. Jones to Anquetil du Perron." (See his book on Ancient and Hindoo Mythology, p. 401.)

"Latow" would have the world to believe that as a book of ethics the Zend Avesta is pre-eminent. Than this nothing could be farther from the truth, and nothing so fatal to a right acquisition of the truth. Well, let him read what a great Frenchman, Abbé Foucher, has said:—"The books of Zoroaster, so keen on the subject of the moral virtues, treat to a fastidious extent of the arbitrary and superstitious ceremonies prescribed by Law, and it is to this they reduce all the religious virtues. While they denounce some gross vices, both opposed to society and to good manners, they denounce with the same severity the most indifferent acts. To strike a dog, or not to feed it, is a crime as great as to kill a man, or to suffer him to die of hunger; to bury or to throw into water the corpse of a man or brute is a profanation as great as to practise magic. If we were to judge from the Zend books of the doctrine of the ancient Persians on morality, we could but form a very wretched idea of it indeed. But the great philosophers, and among others, Xenophon, give us a more favourable picture; and even if wegrant the picture to be too bright, we must allow it to retain some resemblance. From this I conclude either that the Persians studied their moral law in some other books than the Avesta, or that this work of which we have but small extracts in the Zend books contained other important facts which have not reached to our time." (See Memoires de Litterature, vol. xxxix. pp. 793-4). Mr. Elphinstone, in his History of India, vol. i. p. 512, speaks of the Parsi religion as having in it "nothing inspiring or encouraging," and that the "powers of good and evil (Ahurmazda and Ahriman) are so equally matched, that the constant attention of every man is necessary to defend himself by puerile ceremonies against the malignant spirits from whom his deity is too weak to protect him."

Such is the estimate of the ethical system of Zoroaster by two men of eminence—the one a philosopher and the other a statesman;—I defy the Parsis to prepare a pure system of morals, such as would meet with the approval of the whole civilized world—from their three religions books, the Vendidad, the Izashné and the Vispard,—independently of the writings of the ancient nations or of the modern Europeans. Let them try to frame a code of legislation for society from their Scriptures, and they will soon find themselves under the necessity of first relapsing into barbarism before they undertake such a task. To compare or liken the Avesta with the works of Bacon or Plato, or even with the Penal Code of Macaulay, would be simply insulting the memory of those great men, and condemning ourselves, in the sight of the world, as fools and fanatics. The gift of fine worship and elemental adoration is drawing nigh;—Yea it has already come; and intelligent and candid men will soon force the controversy upon their countrymen, whether or not the Zend Avesta—now that its contents are disclosed to them in the translation published at the expense of Mr. M. H. Cama—shall be received and adopted as their standard of faith and practice. I do not traduce the Parsis—how can I? Am I not a Parsi myself? But I declare that no Parsi youth after reading this translation, after reading it, for instance, that a man can go right direct to heaven by the meritorious act of killing some thousands of rats and ants and innumerable other harmless creatures—will believe it but as a tissue of lies, absurdities, and follies—fit only to be consigned to the flames of a barbarous production of a barbarous age? I have to say many things on this subject, but I must reserve them for some other occasion.

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TREATMENT OF THE APPARENTLY DROWNED.—The season of inundations is fast approaching, and the weekly Police Digests will be freighted as usual with the record of loss of life in all parts of the Province from drowning. That many persons, in whom animation has merely suspended, could be saved, if an easy mode of treatment were generally known, there can be no doubt of. Dr. Marshall Hall introduced a method which proved so successfully that it was adopted by the Royal Humane Society and the National Life-Boat Institution; but a great improvement upon it, lately suggested by Dr. R. H. Sylvester of London, has now superseded Dr. Hall's. All that need be imparted to the native community in the same way that directions for the treatment of snake-bites have been circulated, is a general outline, as follows, of the method of proceeding in cases of apparent drowning, suffocation from noxious gases, compression of the throat, or other causes:—In all cases of drowning remove the wet clothes, and provide warm and dry clothing as soon as possible. To permit the free entrance of the air into the lungs, cleanse the mouth and nostrils if clogged with mud or froth, and draw forward the patient's tongue keeping it fixed, if requisite, by a piece of string or the elastic band of the tongue and under the chin. Free at the same time the neck and chest from all light clothing such as neckties and stays. Place the patient on the back with the head and shoulders slightly raised by a folded coat or similar article. Then, to enlarge the cavity of the chest and draw air into the lungs, grasp the patient's arms above the elbows and, draw them gently and steadily upwards until they meet above the head, and keep them there for two seconds. Then to expel the air, turn the arms down and press them gently and firmly against the sides for two seconds. These movements are to be alternately deliberately, and steadily persevered in fifteen times every minute until a spontaneous effort to breathe is perceived. Then the patient may be placed in a warm bath for five or six minutes, still continuing the spontaneous respiratory movements; and the action of the respiratory muscles may be stimulated by dashing cold and hot water alternately on the chest and face. After the breathing has been restored, the natural warmth of the body must be kept up by friction and the application of bottles of hot water, or heated bricks, &c., to the limbs and body. The rationale of these proceedings is very evident; by raising the arms above the head the ribs are pulled upwards by the pectoral muscles, and the cavity of the chest enlarged, air passing down the windpipe to supply the partial vacuum. On depressing the arms, the cavity of the chest is diminished, and the air consequently expelled. There can be no doubt, but that the natural movements of respiration are more closely imitated by this than by any other mode, and the plan is so simple and free from complication, that it has the advantage of being readily practised by the most ignorant.—At all events, it is better than taking a child by the heels and swinging him round, as the Sindhees do, or holding an adult head downwards, or rolling him along the ground.—*Sindian, May 29.*

CAUTIONS FOR THE TIMES.

(From the Economist.)

IT is perhaps to be regretted that the Bank of England did not on Thursday last, raise the rate of discount. It is true that there is an increase of trifling amount—about 10,000*l*—in the reserve of notes, but, on the other hand, the exchanges continue so unfavorable that gold dribbles away. The bullion is less than last week by 175,526*l*, and what is worse is that the condition of the banking department is not, even after the augmentation of reserve, at all admirable. It is generally held that the Bank should keep in cash between a half and a third of its banking liabilities: the account now stands:—

Public deposits	6,217,965
Private deposits	12,620,036
Seven-day bills	528,367
	£19,366,368

while the reserve of notes and coin is only 6,261, 541*l*, or less than one-third. Can it be said that the circumstances of the time are so especially favourable, so calculated to inspire confidence and security, that the Bank of England need keep less than its ordinary reserve? On the contrary, we believe that the peculiarities of the moment are decidedly adverse, and that there is rather reason for the Bank holding more than usual than for holding less than usual.

First. There is likely to be a very considerable drain of bullion to the East and other countries to pay for cotton which we have either bought or are about to buy. The import of raw cotton is augmenting rapidly. From the tables of the Board of Trade, issued this morning, it appears that we have received, in the three months ending 31st March, the following *quantities* of cotton:—

	1862. cwts.	1863. cwts.	1864. cwts.
Cotton, Raw—From United States	5,276	3,401	1,787
Bahamas and Bermuda	...	11,971	63,940
Mexico	...	14,781	49,227
Brazil	39,469	49,749	61,210
Turkey	4,432	12,661	42,756
Egypt	196,085	233,642	309,991
British India	260,605	387,701	459,028
China	9	26,951	105,476
Other countries	68,262	52,179	34,453
Total	574,188	793,036	1,131,968

The values are officially stated for two months of the year only—

	1862. £	1863. £	1864. £
From United States	16,048	4,567	9,300
Bahamas and Bermudas	...	56,452	541,434
Mexico	...	31,421	121,549
Brazil	152,078	249,483	536,062
Turkey	5,865	72,325	210,705
Egypt	198,549	862,706	1,999,104
British India	580,802	2,022,469	2,252,206
China	32	49,505	265,905
Other countries	253,017	182,605	123,968
Total	1,206,392	3,531,543	6,060,229

showing both in value and in quantity an enormous augmentation.

It is we believe true, that owing to the peculiar circumstances of the year, we are paying for the cotton we receive to some extent earlier than we paid for it last year. Last year the Oriental shippers drew at low prices, and we had to pay them a surplus, because the prices in fact realised here were higher than those at which the drafts had been calculated. *Now* the drafts are estimated for rather higher prices than those obtained, and counter bills are drawn, at least sometimes, on India for the difference. But it is also said that the Indian shippers, being much richer than last year do not so immediately send in their bills for discount, and whatever be the date of payment, whether we are paying earlier for cotton or later, we must pay much for cotton. And we must pay much bullion. The ryot, the actual grower, will take nothing else. He is a principal benefitter by the American revolution; he can sell the produce of his labour very dear, and only cares to receive payment for it in one article—in the article all barbarians prize—in coin. The exact account between this country and the East, or between this country and Brazil or Egypt, cannot be accurately stated, but we may state with confidence that we are increasing our imports of cotton from those countries most rapidly, and that all sudden augmentations of import trade, as an ordinary rule and general principle, require the payment of actual cash—of gold or silver.

It may indeed, be said, and justly said, that our exports to the East are rapidly increasing. The figures show this most conclusively. According to the last Board of Trade tables, the exports of British and Irish produce and manufactures to India were:—

	1862. £	1863. £	1864. £
India:—			
Bombay and Sinde	696,951	543,415	1,427,343
Madras	134,713	83,193	328,112
Bengal and Pegu	1,333,867	728,647	1,451,488
	2,074,611	1,355,255	3,206,943

But we are not sure that whatever is exported to the East is sold to the ryot. As respects the instant million on demand, we must not reckon the goods shipped, and perhaps lying in warehouse, but not sold to the native producer. Unsold goods in India and China do not settle the balance of trade; they are so much English produce now placed in a distant country; so far as our international balance is concerned, they might just as well have stopped at home. We do not *assert* that the goods sent to the East are not generally sold, but we say that we wait to hear that they are sold; we are dubious whether so large an increase of English manufactures will be consumed on a sudden by the saving Indian native

As far, therefore, as respects the bullion account,—the probable estimate of its supply and demand,—we cannot but think that a great demand from the East and other comparatively new countries of cotton supply upon England. But there are two other most important considerations which have to be taken account of when we are estimating the probable future of our money market. The first of these is the enormous rate at which our capital is being absorbed in trade. The exports of the country, month by month, are something like 30 per cent. above last year, and 50 per cent over those of the preceding. The figures are:—

	January. £	February. £	March. £
1862	8,438,055	8,920,059	9,664,649
1863	8,045,155	9,298,576	10,047,473
1864	10,413,586	12,698,121	13,555,674

Whether this hugh export be legitimate or not,—whether it be paid for by the foreigner or not,—is, for our present purpose, immaterial. Either way, whether it prove ultimately a profitable speculation, or an unprofitable lock-up, it equally locks up a moment of works English capital. It is equally a drain on our savings, and this is obvious that an increase of export business of 30 per cent. or thereabouts, must soon tell on the value of capital in the country.

Secondly. We are not without apprehension of a derangement of credit. We recently showed, with much care and pains, that the *quantity* and number of new speculations were not enough to give well-founded reason for apprehension and remark. But we have never expressed any approbation of their *quality*. Many of those recently introduced are monstrous exaggerations of excellent enterprises; they copy the external features of good investments, but they are not good investments in themselves. High profits naturally and rightly induce imitation; and the high premiums obtained by launching late Companies have led to much imitation, which will be pernicious unless it is looked to. On the Stock Exchange, 30 and 40 per cent. was to-day paid by weak holders on many new shares and undertakings, banking, finance, and so forth, and it is evident that a settlement so negotiated entails dangerous possibilities, if any adverse event should happen, these borrowers at enormous percentages must lose their money; the prices of the shares in which they are speculating must largely fall.

This would not in itself be very pernicious. Mere Stock Exchange speculation is like cardplaying—some lose and some win—and the total wealth of the nation is entirely unaltered. But we fear that the capital of the country is being subscribed in the very mode in which it may most hurt the country. Just now, in London, lenders are running about after borrowers. So many Banks and Credit Companies are beginning work, that they are at a loss for customers to begin upon. Petty contractors, makers of Welsh railways, and so forth, are obtaining large advances from new institutions: and we confess to great doubt whether such advances ought to be given, or whether they will ever be repaid.

The doubts incident to banking and lending of this kind must naturally be confirmed by the rapid overflow of our foreign commerce. When we look at the figures, we instinctively ask, "Is it all right?" and we are less sure that it is right when we see enormous new companies for lending money, which have no experience, which seek to make high profits, which are just the things to make bad business if it can be made in any way.

We hope, therefore, that there will be no unnecessary delay on the part of the Bank of England in raising their rate, and in protecting their reserve. We do not wish to be alarmists, but there are *three* unfavourable incidents. Our *bullion* is likely to be drained to pay for cotton; our *capital* likely to be absorbed by our rapidly-augmenting business; our *credit* is likely to be endangered by the unwise advance of new lending companies. Surely, in the face of such prospects, the utmost caution is needful on the part of the Bank of England, and on the part of every one.

WRECKS AND OTHER SHIPPING CASUALTIES.

(From the Manchester Guardian.)

I.—A FEW STATISTICAL RESULTS.

IT has been recently asserted that the whole subject of maritime insurance is involved in "Cimmerian darkness." This may be true enough when the topic is considered as a question of scientific probabilities. The practice of the underwriter may, at present, be quite empirical, for he has no such certain guide to estimate his peculiar risks as the actuary who deals with the expectancy of human life summons to his assistance. Mortuary observations well made and well digested keep the latter in a safe path, with even mathematical precision; the former, beyond his individual experience has no other monitor, as far as we know, than the wreck registers of the Board of Trade at Lloyds' Subscription Room. The statistics of shipping casualties occurring annually upon the coasts of the United Kingdom which the Government lays before Parliament every session constitute the best series of observations upon disasters to mercantile shipping which we possess in this country. The series besides is characterised by one important feature, which is too frequently absent from official tables and parliamentary returns. The compiler, Captain Robertson, has, very conscientiously, done all he can within reasonable compass to make the book serviceable for the public. In time separated the complex incidents and conditions of shipping casualties into separate groups, which are tabulated in convenient forms, adding, in respect of the principal data of the register, very useful tables and acceptable per centages. The whole paper, in a word is a complete treasury of available facts, for which, knowing intimately the sort of things Government blue-books very commonly are, we ought to be thankful, and pray that Captain Robertson's good example may find imitators in other departments of the service.

From the wreck register of 1862, we propose to place before our readers some information of paramount interest to a maritime nation like England. We propose to view, in the first place, the statistical aspect of the question, and, in the second, discuss some elementary points in what may be termed the actuarial bearings of the inquiry. On the coasts of the United Kingdom and in the neighbouring seas, during the eight years which end with 1862, 13,627 casualties occurred to British and foreign vessels; 11,494 to the former, and 2,163 to the latter. These accidents occurred out of an aggregate of 2,745,910 voyages; 2,250,785 were made by British and 495,125 by foreign vessels. The average ratio of casualties per thousand to British shipping was for the same period 51; to foreign shipping 44 per thousand voyages; consequently, our own suffered at the rate of 7 per thousand more than the foreigner. Our first table embodies the data for each year separately, and discriminating as between British and foreign ships:—

	Total number of voyages.	Whereof were made by British ships.	Foreign ships.
1852	231,698	197,580	34,118
1853	242,979	198,430	44,540
1854	238,675	195,165	43,510
1855	230,051	191,813	38,238
1856	247,131	206,339	40,792
1857	258,008	213,185	44,818
1858	247,585	201,872	45,713
1859	253,365	206,653	46,712
1860	260,191	209,026	51,165
1861	267,770	215,234	52,536
1862	268,462	215,489	52,973
Total	2,745,910	2,250,785	495,125

From 1852 to 1862 the number of voyages made by British ships rose from 197,580 to 215,489, an increase of 17,909, or 9·1 per cent; the foreign from 34,118 to 52,973, or an increase of 18,855, or 55·3 per cent. This is a very remarkable contrast in favour of the latter class of ships. The present ratio of British to foreign ships navigation our own seas is as 81 to 19—the numbers were last year 215,489 and 52,973 respectively. We have just said "ships," but, in fact, the figures represent *voyages*, although the comparison is fair enough.

The next table gives the casualties, which include every description of disaster, from total wreck to the most trivial accidents that are thought worthy of being reported; and the per centage of casualties measured upon the number of voyages, observing the same distinction of vessels as in the first table.

	Number of casualties. British ships.	Foreign ships.	Per cent or casualties on voyages. British ships.	Foreign ships.
1852	946	169	·48	·50
1853	688	144	·35	·32
1854	824	163	·42	·38
1855	974	167	·51	·44
1856	916	237	·44	·58
1857	930	213	·44	·48
1858	961	209	·48	·46
1859	1,000	188	·50	·40
1860	1,193	186	·57	·36
1861	1,273	221	·59	·42
1862	1,561	266	·72	·50
Total	11,494	2,163	·51	·44

It is to be specially noted in this table that while the ratio of accidents to foreign vessels has been pretty steady during the eight years, it has very decidedly increased of late with regard to British ships. There are reasonable explanations of this unfavourable difference; but we would rather leave them to be stated by seafaring authorities acquainted with the traffic of the British seas.

The third statement we have compiled from Captain Robertson's very full one at page 7 of the report, adding for the purpose of making a valid comparison between the different seasons, the aggregate number of days in each month and showing the ratio of casualties accordingly:—

Months in which casualties happened,	Aggregate No. of days.	Amount of casualties during those days.	Daily ratio for each month.
1856-62.			
January	217	1,198	5·5
February	198	1,052	5·3
March	217	854	3·9
April	210	580	2·8
May	217	458	2·1
June	210	290	1·4
July	217	330	1·5
August	217	410	1·9
September	210	576	2·7
October	217	1,254	5·8
November	210	1,167	5·6
December	217	1,074	4·9
Total	2,557	9,243	3·6

NOTE—This table representing the number of casualties—the total, 9,243, is less than the number of ships which have suffered because two, and sometimes more, ships are involved in one casualty.

It will be observed that the last table only embrace *seven* years, 1852 being absent. The danger of the dark and stormy days of winter are made terribly evident by the ratios in the last column. June is the month of least and October of greatest danger. According to our seven years' observations, during a ship voyage in October, all other things being similar, runs more than four times the risk of accidents of one in June. Meteorological conditions being in their nature most variable, and ever exercising the largest influence upon the safety of shipping afloat, a seven years' record of monthly casualties, however useful must not be taken for a broad basis for deductions than it merits. With this limitation, however we beg to submit that the adjusted table is worthy to be studied and remembered.

The sort of cargo which a ship carries is an important element in questions of sea risks. Within a certain limit, the difference of cargo implies difference in the build, rigging, and manning of vessels. A clipped ship engaged in the cotton trade of Liverpool, will differ in every respect from an ordinary collier running between the Tyne and the Thames. Speaking with reference to 1862, Captain Robertson remarks that "the greatest number of casualties happened to ships laden with coals, ores, bricks, &c. or, in other words, to ships of the collier class. He has pointed out that of the 1,827 casualties of 1862, the collier class met with 931 accidents more or less grave, while all other vessels only experienced 893. From 1855 to 1862 inclusive, casualties happened to 10,723 ships in cargo or in ballast. We have selected from the following table, according to their cargoes, the most important classes:—

Description of cargo	Wrecks and casulties during eight years 1855-62. Vessels.
Coals	3,511
In ballast:—	
Other than colliers	1,133
Colliers	658
	1,791
General cargoes	817
Grain, flour, and provisions	775
Metallic ores	765
Timber or bark	565
Stone, clay, bricks, &c.	541
Fishing smacks	232
Passengers and general cargo	222
Other cargoes	1,504

The most melancholy chapter in the wreck register is that which narrates the annual sacrifice of human life on the coasts, and in the adjacent seas of England, Scotland, and Ireland. In the eleven years ended with 1862 no fewer than 8,775 fellow-creatures have perished by shipwreck on these dangerous shores. We show in the following table the lives lost during each of the eleven years, and the lives saved from shipwrecks during the last seven:—

	Number of lives Lost by Shipwreck.	Saved from Shipwreck.	Total.
1852	920	—	—
1853	689	—	—
1854	1549	—	—
1855	469	—	—
1856	521	2243	2764
1857	532	1668	2200
1858	340	1555	1895
1859	1645	2332	3977
1860	536	3097	4233
1861	884	4624	5508
1862	690	4039	4729
Total	8775	20158	25306

The first column contains the total for eleven years, the second and third columns for seven years only.

The terrible figures in the first column of the table have oscillated between 340 in 1858, and 1,645 in the following year. Next to 1859 in respect of mortality 1854 ranks, when the deaths were 1,549. The lives lost in 1862 amounted to 690, or 107 below the annual average of the last eleven years. One hundred and twenty-six lives were lost that year in three ships. The Life Guard a vessel which appears to have been portentously mismanned, wrecked between Shields and London, lost 52 lives; the Bencoolen, off Budge lost 26; and the Mars 48 lives. Dark as the picture is, we find a ray of light athwart the gloom. The proportion of lives saved out of the whole number imperilled is increasing, and this increase is directly attributable to the efforts of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, and similar noble associations that have been established on all our coasts, especially of late years, for the rescue of seamen. In 1858, which appears to be the first year the Board of Trade obtained this information, the number of lives was 2,243: the number lost, 521; together, 2,764; in 1862, the lives saved were 4,039; the number lost, 690; together 4,729. In 1856, 10 per cent of the number imperilled was lost; 1862, only 14½ per cent—a very considerably and encouraging reduction when the difficulties which encompass the chances of rescue are duly weighed. There are now 179 life boats on the coasts of the United Kingdom; in 1855, we are informed by the report of Captain Robertson, there were 127. "The mortar and rocket apparatus stations now number 238 against 198 in 1857, when the apparatus was first placed under the Coast Guard and Board of Trade." We are further told that in addition to the lifeboats and mortar and rocket apparatus, 114 of the Coast Guard station have been supplied with Captain Ward's cork life jackets and life lines, to be used when the Coast Guard galleys are manned in bad weather, and attempt is made to rescue people struggling in the surf. Last year the Board of Trade paid £5,730 as rewards for saving life and "in the maintenance of lifeboats and mortar and rocket apparatus." This is all as it should be and every philanthropist will hope to see these appliances for the alleviation of the mariner's many dangers increase yearly.

We must here conclude with one statement, that shows the number of casualties other than collisions attended with loss of life on different seaboards in 1862:—

	Casualties attended with Loss of Life. Lives Total Losses.	Partial Lost. Losses.	
Farn Islands to Flamborough Head	2	2	9
Flamborough Head to the North Foreland	16	2	68
North Foreland to St. Catherine's Point	1	—	1
St. Catherine's Point to Start Point	3	2	20
Start Point to Land's End	4	1	36
Land's End to Hartland Point (including Scilly)	2	1	29
Hartland Point to St. David's Head	10	2	102
St. David's Head and Carusore Point to Lambay Island and Skerries, Anglesea	8	4	64
Skerries and Lambay Head to Fair Head and Mull of Kintyre	11	2	44
Cape Wrath to Buchannness	3	—	26
Buchanness to Farn Island	2	1	5
All other parts of the Coast	19	2	83
Total	81	19	487
	100		

This table would be much more useful if the mileage of the different coast lines were also shown in its columns; but, this is a point upon which we hope for a future opportunity of saying a few words.

RIFLED ORDNANCE IN ENGLAND AND FRANCE.

(From Edinburgh Review.)

(Concluded from "Bombay Gazette" of June 2.)

We do not intend to enter in this place upon the details of the controversy between the partisans of the Armstrong system and the friends of Mr. Whitworth. They must be brought to the test of experiment, and in the meantime a full account of their rival merits has been given us by Sir Howard Douglas himself, which it would be idle to seek to condense. There is great wisdom in the dictum of our late revered friend Sir Howard Douglas, that 'the comparative value and importance of the Armstrong and Whitworth guns (so essentially different in contruction, dimensions, faculties, and application, that they cannot be *equally* adapted to all the requirements of general service) can only be correctly estimated, fairly judged so far as they satisfy the principles of gunnery, and their real service uses proved by actual experiment and protracted trials under circumstances resembling as nearly as possible the requirements and vicissitudes of war.'*

But there is one part of the question on which we feel bound to express our opinion. We think that the Report of the Committee on rifled ordnance in 1858, by which the Armstrong system was adopted, and the other systems virtually set aside was not based upon a perfectly just and careful inquiry, and that the decision of the Government to act on that report to the full extent was precipitate. We think it still more unfortunate that the Government, having adopted the Armstrong system, should have consented to make the inventor of that system a member of the Ordnance Committee by which other men's inventions were to be judged, Engineer to the War Department, and Superintendent of the Royal Gun Factory. It would have been more creditable to the service, and more just to inventors, to have placed these duties in the hands of the men by whom the guns are to be used; and although we cannot say that the past labours of the Ordnance Committee or their minutes have given us a high opinion of their capacity, we doubt not that officers may be found in the service perfectly fit for the purpose. At the same time, we feel convinced that no charge of unfairness or of interested motives can be brought against Sir W. Armstrong, though he is naturally solicitous to defend the system he has given to the world. Mr. Whitworth, left by the Government to his own resources, has shown an amount of mechanical genius and science by no means inferior to the qualities of his more fortunate rival; and we believe him to have conceived more perfectly than Sir W. Armstrong the theory of modern ordnance. But the results at which he has hitherto arrived are as yet less complete and less durable. He has endeavoured to accomplish too many distinct purposes with the same gun; and the consequence is that, though several of his pieces have performed marvellous feats of range, accuracy, and penetration, none of them has as yet been permanently successful. They have not entirely passed out of the experimental stage, but they contain the germ and the promise of results greater than any other artillerist has obtained in this country.

Without dwelling on this part of the subject, which is familiar to the public in many shapes, we shall now revert to the French ordnance, and endeavour to show what our neighbours have accomplished. In the construction of their heavy guns, the French have followed the same course as practical, and economical method which they had before pursued in reference to their artillery. Their practice is to transform the old *materiel*, not only with a view to save expense, but also to remain always armed. To be content with present results, but without renouncing future improvements—sedulously to adapt the conditions of military service—specially to adapt different guns to different objects, in the belief that no single class of gun can meet all repuirements—these are their principles. Much has been done to give effect to them, and we think that in many respects they may be favourably contrasted with those which have prevailed in Pall Mall and at Woolwich.

And first to speak of siege guns. The French arsenals were rich in brass siege guns of the old calibres, and these have been transformed. For all descriptions of moveable artillery, the French have a decided predilection for this metal, which they more correctly term 'bronze,' and which has served in all modern wars down to the present time. The transformation of these pieces has produced a whole family of guns, including the old 12-kilo. field-gun, now made a gun of reserve and position; the old long 12-kilo. gun, now a fortress gun; the short 24 kilo. gun, and the 50-kilo. gun, both new seige guns. All these guns are of cast-iron, and they fire nothing but hollow projectiles: the three 12-guns all fire exactly the same projectiles, though the charge of powder differs in each of them. The short 24-gun weighs 2,000 kilos. or two tons, and the charge is varied, according to the range required up to a maximum of 2½ kilos. (5½ lbs. English) to carry 5,000 metres, for which distance the gun is sighted. The shell weighs 24-kilos. or 52 lbs. 12 oz. English, and it carries a bursting charge of one kilogramme or 2 lbs. 3 oz. English. The long 24-gun only differs from the gun just described by its length and weight, which is three-quarters of a ton (740 kilos.) more. But the short gun can, by the construction of its carriage, be fired as a mortar. It is designed to breach at a long range any of the revetements of fortifications now existing in the world, including even granite.

The new 50-gun does not weigh more than the short 24, that is about 2 tons and it is fired with the same charge of powder; but the weight of the projectile is three kilogrammes, or 6 lbs. 113 English pounds, and the bursting charge is 3·5 kilos. of powder (7 lbs. 13 oz. English). In case of an attack on works which might defy the 24-gun, the 50 would be brought up. From the low charge of powder with which it is fired, its penetration is of course less, but, from the explosive power of the projectile thrown, the destructive effect is much greater. Both these guns have the same carriage, which is an important simplification; and with six horses they accompany the movements of an army with much greater facility than an old siege train.

Last autumn a trial was made with these siege guns upon one of the forts that cover the harbour of La Rochelle, known as the Fort Liedot. This fort is a work *à la Vauban*, built of massive limestone masonry: its form is quadrangular with a front of about 100 metres. The ditch is 7 metres deep by 18 in breadth, and in order to render the trial more complete the crest of the glacis had been raised to the height of the parapet, so that the fort itself was totally invisible to the gunners about to attack it. The experiments made on this occasion were varied in character; they were under the direction of a committee of twelve general officers of artillery and engineers, and we understand that not less than 6,000 rounds were fired during the trial, at all ranges, and under different circumstances. The results were considered satisfactory, but of these experiments we are only in a condition to describe one at the present time. The 24 siege gun, as a range of 670 metres (735 yards), with a charge of 800 grammes of powder (1¾ lb.), made a breach of 10 metres in length in the wall of masonry of the fort (which was not visible from the gun) in rather more than 300 rounds, and a detachment of infantry with its arms and accoutrements was enabled to scale the wall in double-quick time. The results might have been arrived at still more rapidly, if about 50 of the shells had not failed to burst, from that imperfection of the fuse which has caused both to French and English military engineers more trouble than any other detail of their art. It is evident that, as the fire in this instance was directed against an invisible object—that is, a work hidden by its glacis—the trajectory of the projectiles must have been extremely high; this circumstance, followed by so marked a result, tells in favour of the precision and regularity of the French gun. At a greater distance the operation would have been, probably, more easy; and it may be questioned whether Fort Sumter would long resist a fire of this nature, due, not to the enormous weight of projectiles or to the force of penetration, but rather to their explosive power.

Following the same principles and the same course of proceeding, a cannon has been constructed by the French artillerists, expressly for the service of coast defence, which is not less worthy of remark. This gun is, in fact, one of the old iron Paixhans cannon-mortars of 22 centemetres bore, which had been totally thrown aside since the introduction of rifled ordnance. It has been rifled, hooped with steel, mounted on a new platform, which moves with such ease that one man can turn the gun, and the gunner would be able to cover a ship in the offing as effectually as a sportsman covers a partridge. This old-fashioned Paixhans gun is now converted into a new mortar-cannon, capable of throwing hollow projectiles of 170 lbs. weight charged with 7 lbs. of powder, to a distance of 6,000 or 7,000 yards. The charge of the gun is regulated by the range required of it, but since it has been hooped with steel, the charge has been carried up to 5 kilos., about 11 pounds of gunpowder. The whole weight of the gun, including the turning table and all that belongs to it, is about 14 tons; but it is so ingeniously constructed and so extremely handy, that three men suffice to work the piece. This gun underwent a series of trials at the firing-ground of Satory, near Versailles, without exhibiting the slightest flaw; and so accurate was the firing that at a distance of 3,500 yards—the full extent of the range to be got in that place—all the shots fired struck within a space of 11 metres by 22, or 36 by 72 English feet. The object of the gun being to hit a ship at sea with tolerable certainty, this gun has sufficient precision for that purpose.

The system of hooping and rifling iron guns, which has not yet succeeded, and still remains to be thoroughly tried, in England, has succeeded in France. It has not indeed converted the old *thirties* of the French navy into perfect weapons of war, but it has enabled the French marine to convert to modern uses an immense quantity of *material* otherwise useless, to give to these guns many of the advantages of rifled ordnance, to increase their power to a degree far exceeding that which they had as smooth-bore guns. When the Duke of Somerset speaks of the old 68-pounder as still our best naval gun, the question arises whether any improvement can be made in the smooth 68-pounder by altering its present conditions. The English Admiralty think not: the French marine answer the question very confidently in the affirmative, and have armed their iron-clad ships with rifled guns in consequence. Nevertheless, Lord Clarence Paget still declares in the House of Commons that they are 'not liked by French officers,' and exclaims with touching simplicity, 'Give us, oh, give us a good plain, wholesome smooth-bore.'

It is admitted that these guns (like all other guns now afloat) cannot be expected to produce much effect against iron-clad ships. But we are able to state that these hooped and rifled iron 'thirties' are capable of supporting a charge which enables them to throw a shot of solid iron, though 4½-inch iron plates, at a distance of 100 metres; and likewise to lodge solid steel shot in the plates at distances from 250 to 300 metres. For all the other purposes of war these French rifled and hooped ships guns, with a charge of 7½ lbs. (3½ kilos.) of powder, and at an elevation of 33° degrees, will throw to a range of 7,000 yards, and even greater distances, hollow projectiles of the weight of 30 kilos. (66lbs.) carrying a bursting charge of 3lbs. of powder. And in respect both of range and of accuracy, we have reason to believe that these guns will be found to surpass the smooth-bore 68-pounder, rowing as it does, when its charge is raised to 7½ kilos. (16 lbs. 7 oz.), in order to fire solid steel bolts of 45 kilos. (99 lbs.), it has been found that these guns cannot fire more than 200 or 300 rounds without giving way; but that is about the limit assigned to our own 68-pounders before the Ordnance Committee. With lower charges and a projectile of inferior weight, this hooped and rifled 'thirty gun,' which had been originally intended to carry spherical shot of 32 lbs. weight with a charge of 11 lbs. of powder, is found in France to be a durable and valuable weapon. Some of them have been destroyed or burst by excessive firing in the trials to which they have been subjected; but we find on inquiry that only two accidents have occurred since these guns have been in use in the French navy, and both these accidents were caused by the explosion of the shell before it left the gun, owing to some derangement of the fuze; no mischief was done in either case. These iron guns braced together with steel hoops, whose elasticity yields with the expansion and cont

	FROM SHIELDS.	
Tasmania		Feb. 9
	FROM THE CLYDE	
292 City of Madras—Graham		
638 City of Shanghae, Smith.		
561 City of Edinburgh.—W. and A. Graham & Co.		Mar. 9
295 City of Foochow, Connell.—Finlay Clark & Co.		Apr. 26
Gutram (s)—B. C. & R. S. N. Co.		
1060 Dehiyrat Regum.		
1100 Sehah Gadie—Iron ship Company Limited.		
W. Kidston.—Finlay Clark & Co.		Feb. 18
	FROM SUNDERLAND.	
1175 Lydia, William.—Carr.		Feb. 27
150 Trebjee.		Feb. 20
450 Tinnevelly.—W. I. S. Co. (Limited.)		
	FROM NEWCASTLE.	
315 Carioca.		
	FROM RANGOON.	
202 Cumn Family, Millar.—B. H. Cama.		April 23
461 Cresswell, Archer.		
883 Empress of India, Harrison.		
490 Hunter, Toyin.		
725 Lady Valiant, Toltie.		
775 Minerva, Beron.		
345 Japan, Page.		
689 Pestonjee Bomanjee, Milne.		
581 Waterlily, Bergman.		
	FROM NEWPORT.	
916 G. W. Duncan.		
702 Samosset.		
Gurtunda—Fulcher, Cooper & Co.		
	FROM GOTHENBERG.	
571 Gustafva, Palm—Peel Cassels & Co.		
	FROM CHINA.	
419 Canada.		
	FROM SINGAPORE.	
677 Kensington, Tulloch.		
	FROM CALCUTTA.	
309 Aristides.		
1118 Astronomer.		April 8
Austin Brown.		
540 Anne, Henderson.		May 11
332 Bengal Rose.		
499 Carobel—Devereux.		May 3
City of Palaces.		
1037 Chatsworth, Jucker.		
583 Comete, Bulsen—Montanlord and Tallada.		April 23
993 Corrigo, Wilson.		
1056 Day Dream.		
1323 French Empire—Ewart, Latham & Co.		
477 Good Success, MacGregor.		April 15
1444 H. C. Kidston, Jinman.		May 3
Indian.		
637 J. W. Brockman.		
499 Jadelmann, Grant.		
453 Johanna—A. H. Husche & Co.		March 13
560 Johangheer, McDermott.		April 19
830 John Rennie.		
1221 King Arthur, Marshall.		May 7
Merle Blance.		
North West.		
1399 Northern Empire.		
1075 Natolia.		
994 Portland.		
808 Raritan—Cohen & Co.		
602 Ruby Castle.		
693 Schah Jehan.		May 3
976 Sir Hugh Rose, Swanson.		
1053 Speedy.		May 7
363 Teazer.		
Turkey		Feb. 6
1286 Timoor Shah, Dodd.		
245 Western Empire.		April 1
	FROM MAULMAIN.	
1199 Baden, (s) Stilson.		
China.		
Colonel Burney.		
886 Ellen Maria.		April
339 Empress of China.		
423 Hamilton, Brogion.		
1059 Ocean Bell—Cohen & Co.		
W. Stevenson.		
	FROM MAURITIUS.	
Nusser Mussed.		

BENGAL.

ARRIVALS.—May 25, *Countess Russell*, Thompsan, from Bombay 7th May; *Regina*, Brown, from Bombay 2nd May; *Lansborough*, Jones, from Point de Galle 12th May; *Orpheus* and *Arabia*, particulars not received.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.—May 27, Barque *Eleonore*, Ionfinis, from Coconada 9th and Pentacottah 16th May; Barque *Amber Witch*, A. McLeod, from Liverpool 16th January.

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On what Place.	Terms.	Rates.
London Banks	6 months' sight ...	2s. 0¾d.
Do. Credits	Do. do.	2s. 0¾d.
Do. Documents.	Do. do.	2s. 1 3/16d.
Calcutta	At sight	100¼
Do.	30 days' sight ...	99½
Do.	60 Do. do.	99
Madras	30 Do. do.	100
China	60 Do. do.	225.

SHARES.

Names.	Paid up	Last Half-yearly Dividend	Rates.
Banks.	Rs.		
Agra Bank.....	500	5 pr. ct.	200 pr. ct. pm.
Bombay Bank	1,000	8 do.	276 pr. ct. pm.
Bank of India	150	.....	93 pr. ct. pm.
Broker's Banking Company	100	.....	47 pr. ct. pm.
Central Bank	250	6 do.	160 pr. ct. pm.
Commercial Bank...	500	6 do.	185 pr. ct. pm.
Chartered Bank of India, A. & China	200	5 do.	169 pr. ct. pm (incdg. n. sh.
Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China	350	10 do.	238 pr. ct. pm.
Asiatic Bank Corpn.	120	.....	229 pr. ct. pm.
Oriental Bank Corporation	250	8 do.	200 pr. ct. pm.
Madras Bank.....	1,000	12 do.	160 pr. ct. pm.
Royal Bank of India	175	.....	105 pr. ct. pm.
Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris.	200	4½ do.	75 pr. ct. pm.
Bombay Presidency Bank		.....	[nominal. 24 per cts.
East India Bank		.....	12 per ct.
Press Cos.			
Apollo Press Co. ...	11,000	1,800 per share.	Rs. 24,000 p.sh.
Colaba Press Co. ...	2,700	360 do.	Rs. 6,000 p.sh.
Fort Press Co.	3,667	375 do.	Rs. 14,200 p.sh.
Hydraulic Press Co.	6,000	350 do.	Rs. 2,300 pm.
Elphinstone Land & Press Company Limited			
One whole Share comprising			Rs. 80,000 pr. share.
1 A Share...	6,000	430	
1 B Share...	6,000	170	
4 C Shares...	6,000	.....	
2 Frere Press Co's Shares.....	1,500	.....	
Victoria Land, Press Co.	4,000	150 do.	Rs. 38,000 pm.
Bombay Press Co...	1,400	.....	Rs. 2,500 pm.
Framjee Cowasjee Patent Press Co.	1,500	.....	Rs. 3,000 pm.
Railway Cos.			
G. I. P. Railway Co. Consolidated Stock	318-3-9	pr. ct.	[nominal. Rs. 8 pr. ct. pm.
Do. New £20 shares	130-14-6	2½ do.	Rs. 12 prem.
Bombay, Baroda & C. I. R. ...	1,000	2½ do.	Rs. 6 pm. nml.
Spinning & Weaving Cos.			
Bombay Spinning & Weaving Co.	5,000	500 per share.	Rs. 1,200 prem.
Great Eastern Spinning & Weaving Co.	1,100	.....	Rs. 300 prem.
Manockjee Petit's Spinning & Weaving Co.	850	.....	Rs. 200 prem.
Oriental Spinning & Weaving Co.....	3,500	140 Rs. p. share	Rs. 425 prem.
Royal Spinning and Weaving Co.....	1,500	.....	Rs. 400 prem.
Victoria Spinning Company	5,000	.....	Rs. 3,000 prem.
Coorla Spinning Co.	5,000	7½ per cent.	Rs. 1,500.
Bombay United Spinning & Weaving Company	1,900	10 do.	Rs. 450 prem.
East India Press Co.	200	.....	Rs. 200
Miscellaneous.			
Colaba Land Co. ...	10,000	Rs. 12,000	Rs. 4,800
House and Land Investment Co.	900	.....	Par.
Bombay Coutrace & Building Co.	150	.....	Rs. 65 pm.
Bondel Warehouse.	600	.....	Par.
Bombay Shipping Company	1,500	.....	Rs. 4,000 nol.
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Five-and-a-Half Per Cent. Loan...	...	116

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Five-Franc Pieces	„	222
Bar Silver	„	105-8
Gold Leaf.....	„	16-6

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„	2	do.	..... 2s. „
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On Scotland		do.	..... 1s. 11¾d. „
On Ireland		do.	.....

Circular Notes for these of Travellers on the Continent and to Europe Overland at 1 day's sight.. 1s. 11¾d. „

The Bank purchases Bills and grants Drafts payable in Calcutta, Madras, Ceylon, Hongkong, Shanghai, Singapore, Penang, Mauritius, Yokohama, and Tuticorin.

The Bank also draws on the Branches of the Bank of New South Wales.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Floating Deposits payable on demand if not less than Rs. 1,000, or above Rs. 50,000 at 2 per cent. per annum.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

Deposits for 3 months or longer 6 per cent. per annum.

Fixed Deposits may generally be availed of for the Bank Bills on London at advertised rates, without notice.

COMMISSION.

The Bank takes charge of Government Securities, Shares in Banks and other Companies, without charge, and realizes interests and Dividends thereon on the following terms :—

To be remittedin Bank's Drafts, without charge.

If to be paid in India, a Commission will be charged of a ¼ per cent.

On returning Government Paper, or Share Certificates out of safe custody, or when sold on paying the proceeds of such sale in India, a commission will be charged of ¼ per cent. But if proceeds are remitted on the Bank's Drafts without charge.

Commission charged on purchase and sale of Government Securities.

All letters should be addressed and all Hoondees made payable to the Agent, Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London, and China. H. J. MARSDEN,

Bombay, 26th May 1864. Agent.

CENTRAL BANK OF WESTERN INDIA.—HEAD OFFICE, BOMBAY. CAPITAL ONE MILLION STERLING. PAID-UP CAPITAL SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND. RESERVE ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND.

OFFICES IN INDIA.

Calcutta, Madras, Sholapore, Surat, Ahmedabad, and Indore.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Accounts above Rs. 1,000 and not exceeding Rs. 50,000, repayable on demand, at 2 per cent. per annum.

On Deposits for 3 months certain 3 per cent. per annum

Do.	„	6	„	5 „
Do.	„	12	„	6 „

EXCHANGE.

Bills on London, at 6 months' sight 2s. 0¾d. per Rupee.

Do.	at 4	do.	2s. 0¾d. do.
Do.	at 3	do.	2s. 0¾d. do.
Do.	at 2	do.	2s. 0¾d. do.
Do.	at 1	do.	2s. 0¾d. do.
Do. on Demand		do.	1s. 11¾d. do.
Scotland and Ireland.		do.	1s. 11¾d. do.

Drafts at 6 months' sight are not granted for less than £5 and amounts under £20 are only drawn for payable on demand.

COMMISSION.

On the sale or purchase of Government and other Securities 5 per cent. on the amount realised or invested.

The Bank receives Government and other Securities for safe custody, free of charge, the Interest or Dividends thereon being credited to account, or remitted home in the Bank's Bills also without charge.

On Interest or Dividends, or on proceeds of Securities by sale, ¼ per cent. commission charged if the amounts be paid in India; if remitted home by the Bank, no commission charged.

On returning Securities out of safe custody ¼ per cent. Commission.

Hours of business 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.; Saturdays 10 A.M. to 1 P.M.

EDWIN HEYCOCK, Manager.

Bombay, 3rd June 1864.

THE AGRA AND UNITED SERVICE BANK, (LIMITED.)—*Incorporated by Royal Charter.*—ESTABLISHED IN INDIA, 1833.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £2,000,000 (TWO MILLIONS STERLING.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,000,000 (ONE MILLION STERLING.)

RESERVES.-FUND, £2,25,000—(Rs. 22,50,000.)

Head Office.....LONDON. | Branch Office.....EDINBURGH.

BRANCHES IN INDIA.—CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, MADRAS, AGRA, LAHORE, AND KUBRACHEE.—BRANCHES IN CHINA—SHANGHAI, HONG-KONG.—BRANCH IN NEW SOUTH WALES—SYDNEY.

The Bombay Manager grants drafts on London, also Circular Notes negotiable in Egypt and the Continent of Europe.

The following are the current rates of Exchange :—

On London at 6 months' sight.....		2s.	0¾d. per Rupee.
„	4	do.	2s. 0¾d. do.
„	3	do.	2s. 0¾d. do.
„	2	do.	2s. 0¾d. do.
„	1	do.	1s. 11¾d. do.
On Demand			1s. 11¾d. do.
Circular Notes			1s. 11¾d. do.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

1. On Floating, or Current Deposits, payable on demand of not less than Rs. 1,000 or more than Rs. 50,000, 2 per cent. per annum.

2. On Fixed Deposits at 3 months' notice, 3 per cent. per annum.

3. On Fixed Deposits at 6 months' notice, 4 per cent. per annum.

4. On Fixed Deposits at 12 months' notice, 5 per cent. per annum.

Fixed Deposits may generally be availed of for the Bank's Bills on London without notice.

The notice of withdrawal can be given at the time of depositing the money, or at any time thereafter.

Interest is credited to Deposit accounts half-yearly.

No interest allowed on Current Account Balances under Rs. 1,000 or over Rs. 50,000, unless by special agreement.

The Funds of all public bodies connected with the Services and of such other Societies as the Directors may consider eligible for the same privilege, will be received by the Bank at its highest rate of interest for the time being, subject to modified conditions.

The Bank reserves to itself the right of paying off all interest-Deposits, and of modifying the terms thereof, on giving one month's notice.

Parties making remittances to the Bank should specify distinctly the Accou n t or Accounts to which the same are to be credited.

COMMISSION.

The Bank takes charge of Government Securities, Shares in Banks and other Companies without charge and realizes the Interests and Dividends, for which a charge will be made of ¼ per cent.

On returning Government Paper or other Securities out of safe custody, a charge will be made of ¼ per cent.

On the purchase or sale of Government Securities and Bank or other Stock, ¼ per cent.

REMITTANCE.

The Bank realizes Drafts or Hoondies payable in the Presidency for remittance to Europe in the Bank's Bills on London.

To obviate disappointment to parties at a distance, it is hereby notified that the Bank will, whenever so requested, transmit the first of Exchange direct, on being furnished with the correct address of the party at Home to whom the remittance is to be sent, if to a lady, her Christian name or names should be given in full.

Parties are requested to address "*The Manager of the Agra and United Service Bank, (Limited), Bombay,*" and to make all Orders or Hoondies payable to him.

Hours of business from 10 to 3.

Saturdays..... „ 10 to 1.

E. A. FLINDERS, Manager.

Bombay, 19th April 1864.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.—*Incorporated by National Decrees of 7th and 8th March 1848 and by Imperial Decree of 20th July 1854.* PAID-UP CAPITAL.—Francs 40,000,000 (£1,600,000.) RESERVE FUND. —Francs 9,292,565 (£371,702.)

Head Office.—14, *Rue Bergere Paris.* Agencies at Bombay Calcutta, Hongkong, Shanghai, Bourbon (Reunion), and Saigon.

London Bankers.

UNION BANK OF LONDON; GENERAL CREDIT AND FINANCE CO. OF LONDON, (Limited); and MESSRS C. J. HAMBRO AND SON.

BOMBAY AGENCY.

Offices—No. 9, Rampart Row.

This Agency grants Drafts and Letters of Credit and purchases or collects Bills on the abovementioned places, as also on the principal Towns of Continental Europe, on Madras, Pondichery, Kurrachee, Ceylon, Mauritius, Singapore, Sydney and Melbourne.

EXCHANGE.

Drafts granted as follows :

On London 6 months' sight.....	2s. 0¾d.	per Rupee
3 Do. Do.....	2s. 0¾d.	„
Sight.....	1s. 11¾d.	„
On France 6 months' sight....frs. 2-01 cts.		„
3 Do. ..... „ 2-55 „		„
Sight..... „ 2-59 „		„

DEPOSITS.

Interest at 2 per cent. per annum allowed on Current Deposits; payable on demand, of not less than Rs. 1000, nor more than Rs. 50,000.

On fixed Deposits at,

3 months' notice 3 per Cent. per annum.	
6 Do. do.	4 do. do.
12 Ditto do.	5 do. do.

DISCOUNTS, LOANS, &c.

The Agency discounts approved Local Bills, grants Loans on Government Paper, Bullion, Bank Stock, and approved Shares and other Securities.

Any further information as to rates of business, &c., may be had at the Office, or on application by letter to the undersigned, to whom all remittances should be made payable.

T. R. R. DAVISON, Acting Manager.

Bombay, 3rd June 1863.

BANK OF INDIA.—INCORPORATED WITH UNLIMITED LIABILITY UNDER ACT No. XIX. OF 1857, OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF INDIA.—CAPITAL SIXTY LACS OF RUPEES, IN 40,000 SHARES OF RS. 150 EACH, WITH POWER TO INCREASE.

HEAD OFFICE, BOMBAY.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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BANKERS.

The London Joint Stock Bank.

EXCHANGE.

The Bank grants Drafts on London at the following rates :—

At 6 months' sight.....	2s. 1d.	per Rupee.	
4 do.	2s. 0¾d.	do.	
3 do.	2s. 0¾d.	do.	
2 do.	2s. 0¾d.	do.	
1 do.	2s. 0¾d.	do.	
On demand	2s. 0d.	do.	

DEPOSITS.

Interest will be allowed as follows :—

On Current Accounts.....	2 per cent.
„ Deposits for 3 months certain ...	3 „
„ 6 „ ...	5 „
„ 12 „ ...	6 „

No interest allowed on Current Account Balances under Rs. 1,000 or over Rs. 50,000, unless by special agreement.

ADVANCES.

The Bank grants Loans against Government Securities, &c., and discounts Government and approved Private Bills and Hoondies.

COMMISSION.

On the purchase or sale of Government Securities, Bank or other Shares, ½ per cent.

Government or other Securities received for safe custody, and Interest or Dividends thereon drawn, free of charge.

On returning Securities out of safe custody, ½ per cent.

Orders and Hoondies should be made payable, and all letters addressed, "To the Manager Bank of India."

Any information as to rates of business may be had on application at the Bank, or by letter to the Manager.

JOHN GRAY, Manager.

Bombay, 25th May 1864.

THE ROYAL BANK OF INDIA.—*Incorporated; with unlimited liability under the Act of the Legislative Council of India No. XIX. of 1857.*—CAPITAL SIXTY LAKHS OF RUPEES IN 30,0000 SHARES OF Rs. 200 EACH, WITH POWER TO INCREASE.

Board of Directors.

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W. F. STEARNS, Esq.	
DINSHAW MANOCKJEE, Esq.	

Auditors.

RICHARD LATHAM, Esq.; JAMES BEVIS, Esq.

London Bankers.

THE LONDON AND COUNTY BANK.

EXCHANGE.

Bills on London at 6 months' sight at 2s. 0¾d. per Rupee

„	4	do.	2s. 0¾d. „
„	3	do.	2s. 0¾d. „
„	2	do.	1s. 11¾d. „
„	1	do.	1s. 11¾d. „
„ On demand		do.	1s. 11¾d. „

Drafts at 6 months' sight are not granted for less than £50, and amounts under £20 are only drawn for payable on demand.

The Bank purchases Bills and grants Drafts payable in Calcutta, Ahmedabad and Surat.

All Treasury Drafts, Hoondies, and other orders for realization to be endorsed "Pay to the Royal Bank of India or order."

CURRENT ACCOUNTS.

Interest allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on balances not exceeding one lac, or at 3 per cent. per annum if interest is paid on the lowest balance at credits of the account for each month; in the latter case interest will be allowed on any sum not exceeding two lacs.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Subject to 1 month's notice 3 per cent. per annum.

Do.	3	do.	4 do. do.
Do.	6	do.	5 do. do.
Do.	12	do.	6 do. do.

Any information as to rules of business may be had on application at the Bank, or by letter to the Manager.

J. GORDON, Manager.

Bombay, 2nd April 1864.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.—INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

EXCHANGE.

Drafts on London at 6 months' sight at 2s. 0¾d. per Rupee,

Do.	„	at 3 „	at 2s. 0¾d. „
Do.	„	Demand.....	
Do. Scotland	„	.....	1s. 11¾d. „
Do. Ireland	„	.....	

Circular Notes payable throughout Europe 1s. 11¾d. „

Drafts at six months' sight are drawn on the Union Bank of London.

Drafts on demand are drawn on the Bank of England.

N. B.—No draft at six months' sight is granted for any sum under £50.

Sums of £1 and under £20 are drawn for on demand only and sums under £1 are remitted by advice.

DEPOSITS.

The rates of interest at present allowed by the Corporation on Deposits of Rs. 1,000 and not above Rs. 50,000 are—

Deposits payable on demand.....2 per ct. per annum

Do.	3 months sight	.....	3 „
Do.	6 „	.....	4 „
Do.	12 „	.....	5 „

The interest on the class of Deposits payable at fixed periods after date ceases at maturity of the receipt.

All Treasury Drafts, Hoondies and other orders for realization should be endorsed "Pay the Oriental Bank Corporation or order."

Any information as to rules of business may be had on application at the office, or by letter to the Agent.

Bombay, 30th May 1864.

BROKERS' LOAN, DISCOUNT AND BANKING COMPANY, (LIMITED.)—NOTICE is hereby given, that the Bank is opened for the transaction of local banking business.

LOANS AND DISCOUNTS.

The Bank discounts Government and Private Bills and Hoondees, and grants loans on the Security of Government Paper, Goods, &c.

DEPOSITS.

Interest allowed at 3 per cent. per annum on current deposits when not less than Rs. 500, nor exceeding Rs. 50,000, unless as may be specially arranged.

On the sale or purchase of Government Paper, Bank Stocks, and other Securities ¼ per cent., on the amount realized on invested.

On interest or dividend ¼ per cent.

The Bank receives Government and other Securities for safe custody free of charge, the interest or dividends thereon being credited to account.

On returning Securities out of safe custody ¼ per cent. commission charged.

Hours of business 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.

Saturdays..... 10 A. M. to 1 P. M.

ARDASEER BOMANJEE, Manager.

13th March 1864.

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